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Fall friendships formed



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The Crawford County Great Start Playgroup met at the AuSable Primary School the first time for the current school year on Friday. Parents of infants, toddlers and preschoolers are encouraged to bring their children to the free program, which will meet from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Fridays at the AuSable Primary School while school is in session. The Playgroup is funded by the Early On program through the Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw and Roscommon Intermediate School District. Above, Carter Baker, nine months, places his painted hand on a poster meant to represent the fall changing of the leaves.

Timberliner to roll into Grayling

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The majestic Pere Marquette Steam Locomotive #1225 will roll back into Grayling this weekend.

The Pere Marquette Steam Locomotive #1225 will bring hundreds of passengers, celebrating the exciting and nostalgic experience of steam railroading, into Grayling on Saturday and Sunday.

The Crawford County Historical Society, in conjunction with the Steam Railroad Institute and the Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, is presenting the Timberliner train weekend.

A total of 800 passengers are slated to take a fall color tour aboard train cars, traveling from Kawkawlin to Grayling.

The Timberliner will be pulled by the Pere Marquette Steam Locomotive #1225.

The #1225 was one of 39 steam locomotives commissioned to shuttle steel and wartime freight to and from Detroit, Saginaw, Flint and northern Indiana steel mills during World War II. Built in 1941, the Pere Marquette #1225 was among the last steam engines ordered by the Pere Marquette Railroad.

Upon the invention of more efficient diesel powered engines, the Pere Marquette was retired 10 years after its debut and was destined to be scrapped. A group of Michigan State University students purchased the steam engine in hopes of getting it run-

ning again. College officials eventually forced the students to sell the steam engine because they considered it to be an eyesore.

The Pere Marquette #1225 served as the inspiration for "The Polar Express," a holiday movie starring Tom Hanks about a boy whose faith in Christmas is renewed by an imaginary trip to the North Pole.

This is the third year for the train excursion weekend. The Pere Marquette Locomotive #1225, however, took a hiatus last year, as the locomotive was down for repairs.

"It's up and running, and better than ever," said Kay Cosgray, the president of the Crawford County Historical Society's Board of Directors.

The Pere Marquette Locomotive #1225 is slated to arrive in Grayling at 1 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday.

A limited amount of tickets for a side excursion, which will travel from Grayling to Waters and back, are still available. The side excursion leaves Grayling at 1:30 p.m. and returns at 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for adults, and \$15 for children ages 5-16. The tickets can be purchased at the Crawford County Museum, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and AuSable Gifts.

A telegrapher will be on hand at the museum to send messages.

Dick Barns, a trapper from Manton, will have a display of equipment and furs at the museum's trapper's cabin.

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Community gets lesson in Flag:101

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The U.S. flag, flown to represent our nation in peace and on the battlefield for nearly a half century, was designed by a Saginaw man much to the initial chagrin of his grandparents and history teacher. The flag created a ticket for him to follow his dreams and travel the world.

As a 17-year-old high school junior in 1958, Robert "Bob" Heft designed the 50-star flag as a history class project. Two years later, the very flag he designed would become the nation's banner after Alaska and Hawaii were admitted into the union.

Sponsored by the Grayling Rotary Club, Heft spoke to students at the Grayling Middle School last week about how his project became a part of history.

As a child, Heft was active in the Boy Scouts of America, which is how his interest in flags got started.

As a high school student, Heft took an interest in politics and
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City Council seeks bids for cemetery water system

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling City officials will finalize a project at the Elmwood Cemetery, which dripped through the cracks last year, before the snow flies.

The Grayling City Council, at its regular monthly meeting last week, agreed to seek bids for the replacement of the water system in the older portion of Elmwood Cemetery last week.

City officials were forced to shut off the water system in the older portion of the cemetery, located next to the I-75 Business Loop and North Down River Road, due to a leak in a water pipe. The leak was causing up to 1,400 gallons of water to be discharged into the ground per day, said Grayling City Manager David Thayer.

Since access to the water was discontinued, just prior to Memorial Day, Thayer said city officials have drawn frequent complaints from people who were used to having the convenience of water close by. Over the summer, people had to haul water to maintain the plants and flowers located near the graves

of their loved ones.

The Elmwood Cemetery is owned by Grayling Charter Township and the City of Grayling. Two years ago, township and city officials agreed to expand the cemetery, which opened up 720 additional grave sites.

After doing some research, Thayer said that a subcontractor for the expansion, Landscape Plus, had planned to replace the water system in the older portion of the cemetery. The project, however, was not completed last year after former City Manager Allen Lowe resigned.

Thayer said that city officials do not recall having a formal contract in place for the work, so they will seek bids for the water system replacement. AuSable Construction served as the general contractor for the expansion.

Officials hope to have the project, which includes replacement for water pipes and the placement of water faucets every 75 feet, done before the ground freezes.

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Trip organized by the Crawford County Commission on Aging
Contact Andrea @ 348-7123 to reserve a seat

*Special event trips require: (1) a minimum of twenty-two passengers; and (2) that passengers less than 18 years of age be accompanied by a responsible adult.

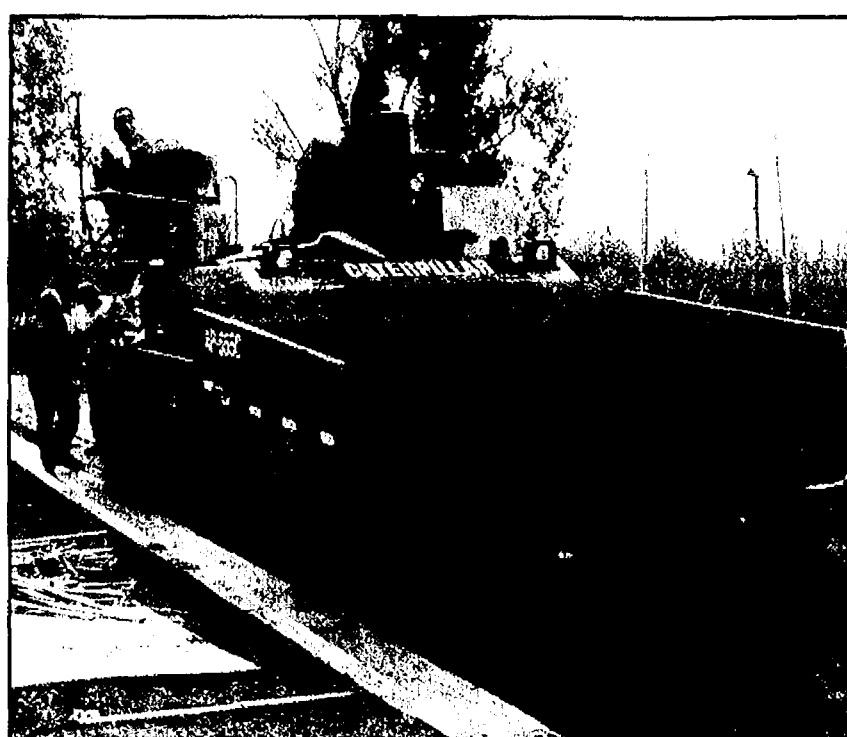
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COMMUNITY EVENT SERVICES:

Service schedules may be modified to meet increased demand during special community events, such as the Milltown Festival.

To request information concerning expanded services call Richard @ 348-4101

Asphalt arrives



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Crews from Payne & Dolan, Inc, an asphalt production and road construction firm, which has an office in Gaylord, laid the base coat of asphalt on Michigan Avenue west of the I-75 Business Loop on Monday. A portion of Burton Court Street was also paved. Construction crews continued to do underground work, replacing water and sewer mains on Burton Court, and are expected to be done with that work by the end of the week. Contractors also began tearing out the sidewalks and pulverizing a portion of Michigan Avenue, east of Michigan Avenue, for the second and third phases of the \$1.3 million streetscape project. Parking is available in the City Downtown Parking lot, located behind the Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Motel.

Mclsaac honored for community service

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Friends and fellow golfers recently held the inaugural Irv Mclsaac Golf Open to recognize his contributions to the Grayling Country Club, youth and the community.

A full field of 36 foursomes participated in the Irv Mclsaac Open, which was held at the Grayling County Club on Sept. 22.

Mclsaac, 87, was honored for serving as chairman of the county club's mens golf league. He recently retired from holding that position.

Mclsaac has also served as an ambassador for the Grayling

County Club.

Mclsaac, known as "Serving Irwin," was one of the founders for the Grayling Youth Booster Club, an organization that funds recreational projects and opportunities for youth in Crawford County.

Organizers felt it was fitting to have the golf scramble to honor Mclsaac's commitment to youth and the Grayling County Club.

"He's just one of those guys who has served the community forever," said Tom Hunt, who served as chairman for the Irv Mclsaac Golf Open.

The seventh hole at the Grayling County Club, where Mclsaac scored a hole-in-one, was dedicated in his honor. A bench was placed at the hole, where Mclsaac visited with the golfers during the golf scramble.

Several community members spoke at a dinner following the golf scramble, including Mclsaac's son, Dan Mclsaac.

A total of \$9,500 was raised at the charity event. The proceeds will go toward a scholarship for a Grayling High School graduate and student athlete who takes part in the school's golf program.

"It's not a lot of money, but it is some help," Hunt said.

The Irv Mclsaac Golf Open was organized by Hunt, Mike Lesko, and Chris Zuiker, the general manager at the Grayling County Club, in just a month and half.

Organizers plan to make the



A full field of 36 foursomes participated in the Irv Mclsaac Open, which was held at the Grayling County Club on Sept. 22. Above, Mclsaac shares a moment with Karen Ayers and Jo Ann Michal following the golf scramble.



Bruce Patrick and Mclsaac visit at the Grayling Country Club's seventh hole, which was dedicated to honor Mclsaac.

Irv Mclsaac Golf Open an annual community event.

"We hope this will be an ongoing,

annual event and that this thing will be self-perpetuating over time," Hunt said.

Global awareness presentation set

Kirtland Community College will kick off its 2007-08 Global Awareness series with "Vietnam and Cambodia" from noon to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 10, at its main campus near

Roscommon.

Kathy Girard, a nursing instructor at Kirtland, will be the featured speaker during the one-hour presentation in Room 135 of the Administration Building.

Girard visited the two Asian nations this summer.

For more information on the Oct. 10 presentation or the Global Awareness series, contact Sinan Toprak by calling 989-275-5000, extension 265, or via e-mail at toprak@kirtland.edu.

For more information on other events at Kirtland Community College, visit online at www.kirtland.edu.

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Timberliner to roll into Grayling

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A farmer's market will be held downtown. The Michigan Museum of Military Transport will have a display of vintage military vehicles and equipment.

The Grayling Lions Club, the Crawford County Habitat for Humanity and other civic organizations will be selling food and drinks.

The Crawford County Transportation Authority will be operating busses to shuttle train passengers to area businesses and restaurants. Wellington Farm, USA, is also transporting people around town aboard a hay wagon.

The Grayling Promotional Association will be holding an arts and craft show at the Grayling Elementary School.

Grayling City/Township Firefighters will be on hand to refuel the steam engine and handle sparks coming from the locomotive. Grayling City Police officers and Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies will handle crowd control.

"Everybody is jumping in to handle a different piece of the puzzle to make the Timberliner weekend a success," Cosgray said.

Tickets for the side excursion trip, as well as limited prints done by Grayling artist Abby Chase of the Pere Marquette #1225, will raise funds for the restoration of the museum, which was a former train depot.

"The depot is old and it's falling apart," Cosgray said. "We have to focus on repairing the roof, windows and exterior, then we have to move inside to update the interior in order to protect the community's artifacts."



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City voter registration deadline set

Grayling City residents who want to have a say in selecting the officials who shape the plans and policies for the city have until Monday to register to vote.

The deadline to vote at the polls during the Nov. 6 city council election is Monday, Oct. 8.

City residents, who wish to be qualified to vote in the election, can register with Grayling City Clerk Michele Moshier between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., during regular weekday city hall office hours.

Five people are running for three seats on the Grayling City Council.

Incumbents Lawrence "Larry" Akers and Kim McClain are being challenged by city residents Steve Anderson, Charles Armstrong and Cathy McGuire on the city's Nov. 6 election ballot.

City council member Dennis Robinson, who was appointed to fill an expired term on the council in February, opted not to run for re-election.

A total of 1,477 city residents were registered to vote as of May, according to county voting records, said Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore.

Four injured in head on car crash

Four people were injured in a head on collision that occurred on M-72 East last week.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said that deputies and emergency services personnel were dispatched to the accident when it occurred at 9:56 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 25 on M-72, east of Wakeley Bridge Road.

Grayling City/Township Fire Department and South Branch Township Fire Department firefighters extricated occupants from both vehicles.

Three people were transported

to Grayling Mercy Hospital by Mobile Medical Response ambulances. A fourth person was airlifted, by a LifeNet Helicopter, from the scene to Saginaw Covenant Hospital.

The names and conditions of the people were not available as of the *Crawford County Avalanche's* press time, since final accident reports have not been provided to the administration at the sheriff's office, Wakefield said.

The accident remains under investigation.

City Council seeks bids for cemetery water system

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water system replaced this year, and if the weather cooperates, it should be done by the middle of

November," Thayer said.
The city and township purchased about six acres of land for the cemetery in 1981.

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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

In the nick of time, compromise prevails

LIKE THE LONE Ranger in western folklore, the illusive gift of compromise apparently surfaced in the Michigan state capital and crisis was averted.

Well, if not averted, at least crisis was minimized – and postponed until another day.

In the old days – like 1959, for example – Michigan had a payless payday.

This year apparently, Michigan had a payless forenoon.

About 35,000 non-essential state employees were told not to go to work on Oct. 1 if no agreement had been reached between legislature and governor before the old state budget expired at midnight on Sept. 31.

Incidentally, I wonder how 35,000 state employees must feel about being considered “non-essential.”

Anyway, for a tense four hours or so, the state drifted along without a budget until compromises were reached and bills adopted early Monday after the legislature had sat in continuous official ses-

sion since early Saturday.

Of course, in keeping with the way budgets seem to be adopted in Michigan, the solution is temporary. Gov. Jennifer Granholm finally gave in to approve a continuation spending budget, but only after legislative Republicans gave in to approve a couple of tax increases.

Now it's back to the drawing board to erase the rest of the red ink with reductions in planned spending.

It may go well from here on out, or it may not. Who knows for sure?

MICHIGAN CAME out a lot better than a couple of other states in recent budget crises.

While many states dithered about the other end of the spectrum – that is, what to do with surplus money – Michigan had to worry about deficits.

Governors and lawmakers battled in other states, too. New Jersey shut down for about a week, and it took a closure of

only one day to end stalemate in Pennsylvania.

Michigan's half-day paralysis may well have set a record for brevity in government shut-downs.

It can happen anywhere that those who make laws and those who administer them refuse to compromise enough to apply common sense and pursue a dedication to the overall public good.

It happened in Michigan back in 1959 between a Democratic governor and a Republican legislature. The payless payday then lasted only a day, and nobody actually missed a pay check, but it made negative headlines across the country then, and this year's stalemate already has made headlines across the country now.

Regardless of who comes out a winner within the rarified environs of the state capitol, people across Michigan already have become losers due to the notoriety and the resulting lack of confidence in our state.

It's unfair, but that's the way it

is.

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THE EASY target for blame in our Michigan budget fiasco is term limits, which the people wrote into the state constitution by popular vote a few years back.

House members are limited to three terms or six years, and senators to two terms or eight years. Determined candidates can mix or match these combinations, but 14 years is maximum anyone can serve in the legislature under term limits.

Does this schedule deprive our state lawmaking system of the experience necessary to conduct the state's business, especially in preparing budgets?

Many critics think so, particularly within the legislature and the Lansing beltway.

In a way, that view is an admission that the people we have elected to make laws and write budgets and solve problems are not smart enough or adaptable enough to do the job until they've been around for eight or 10 or 12

years. That doesn't make sense, either.

Governors are term limited, too, but I have seen no interest in permitting governors to run forever. If legislators cannot master the system in less than 14 years, why should a governor be expected to master it in only eight years?

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TERM LIMITS may be part of the problems, but most people outside of Lansing still favor them.

In my view the overriding problem in writing laws today is the extreme partisanship which has crept into our political system across the country.

All things seem to be viewed in partisan terms. If Democrats favor an idea, Republicans must oppose it. If Republicans want to do something, Democrats must stop them. Merit has no strength in the political system. It must be party above all else.

Our representative form of government – with the people

exercising ultimate control through elected leaders and representatives – has been twisted by partisanship, not only in Michigan but across the country.

Unreasonable dedication to party must diminish, and the welfare of the total public – not just those who support one side or the other – must be elevated to be the controlling reason for all political actions.

Unless partisanship lessens and redirects itself, our entire system may be in danger of inevitable stalemate and eventual collapse.

Our experiment in democratic self rule has endured in the United States for more than 200 years, which is quite remarkable when the rest of world politics is considered.

Allegiance to extreme partisanship instead of dedication to citizenship could ruin it.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

It's your responsibility to change Grayling for the better

To the editor:

Recent letters to the Avalanche are in error when they imply that someone who does not live in Grayling year round can't have a valid opinion regarding local economic and social conditions. Both my father, two of my brothers and their families live and work in Grayling, and as I previously stated, I grew up there. This is why I retain a vital interest in what happens in my hometown, and is also why I feel I have a valid point of view that should be known. So, I address this to the people of Grayling.

Someone asked for helpful suggestions, so here are mine. Stop grabbing in desperation at any “economic” magic wand that comes along and knuckle down individually to make your hometown a more attractive place. Decorate abandoned store fronts until they are revitalized, plant flowers in your front yard, help a neighbor clean up theirs, remove trash wherever you see it, smile and say hello to someone you don't know. Pay attention to how your hometown looks, because others certainly are. And, if you haven't read The Tipping Point by Malcolm Gladwell, you should, as it directly relates to the economic situation in Grayling.

Someone stated that you should “trust your local officials” to do the right thing. Rather, you as

individuals, must trust yourselves to manage the local natural resources. Do so with more respect, advertise its serene beauty every chance you get (which means ten times more than you currently do) and above all, protect it from those who would defile it for a quick buck. That's so important, I'll state it again: Protect it from those who would defile it tomorrow for a quick dollar today. It is your legacy.

People say, “I'm only one person. What can I do to change this?” What if you woke up tomorrow and wrote a letter to the governor, called a state representative, called the news stations, staged a protest in front of the courthouse, used the Internet to start a vital campaign to promote your hometown, wrote or called your congressman, your senators, the president ... in short, raised a ruckus? Rattle some political cages, locally on up. I guarantee you, someone will notice.

You live there, it's your home. That means it's your responsibility to change it for the better. Don't wait to see what your neighbor will do about it, or what your elected officials will do about it – do something now, however small. Or, you may wake up tomorrow to find you have waited too long.

Bill Slater
Phoenix, Ariz.

What have they got, that we do not?

To the editor:

I had the distinct pleasure in meeting and speaking with a wonderful young lady the other day. She shared with me her past experiences, of owning and being in business in Grayling, for 55 years of her life.

In the conversation, I mentioned that I have actually been doing business in Grayling since 1971, when I was first employed by Chief Shoppenagon Motor Inn. When I realized that she had so much more clout than I could ever hope to have, I decided just to listen and learn. I could have listened to her talk for days, but I could not spare the time because I had to get back to run my Grayling business.

That experience led me to be vocal (just once more) on the direction of our town. I just had to write this letter to reiterate one of my beliefs. Recently, I have been most entertained by our letters to the editor column in our hometown paper. It seems that we get weekly ideas and comments from not only locals, but people from out of town, on just what we should do to save ourselves from extinction. As I have become less and less excited about Walmart and other major players who have been rumored to be setting up shop here, I have been more than hesitant to believe that an amuse-

ment park 15 miles away from me is going to make us the next Gaylord.

To those who have told me to hang on until the park gets here and I will be rich ... you can buy my stuff now and you can be rich later.

I can remember when Grayling and Gaylord seemed to be about the same size and both growing at somewhat the same pace. Well, if it is growth you want and if it is business you need, perhaps we should look at Gaylord and see why they get the majors and we do not. What the heck, look at them grow, without a major theme park.

What have they got that we do not ... well, perhaps it might have something to do with being able to get on and off I-75. Wow, what a concept. Perhaps, after we get a theme park, after our town looks so beautiful with this renovation and we get sick of waiting for commerce, we might even entertain the thought of tapping into all of the businesses that drive right past this town every day. We still have the label as the worst place to exit I-75.

Please note that my comments are mine and not that of my business partner or my business.

Al Bondar
co-owner - Dharma Music
and Another Man's Treasure

Your opinion counts

To the editor:

This is a word of warning to the local snow birds. I recently called city hall to inquire when there would be a meeting concerning the amusement park. Imagine my surprise when I was told it would be in November. Now certainly they would not schedule this meeting when they know that snow birds would be gone. Would they? Ha, I would not trust the people pushing this park. Especially when it comes to light that they allegedly have signed an agreement of secrecy with the developers. Something

about this deal smells.

I would suggest that if you want your opinions heard, that you talk to, or better yet, send a registered letter to, the powers-that-be expressing your feelings about the park.

Unless you want to return from your winter getaway and discover that there was not enough opposition and it is too late to stop it.

Your opinion counts. Let it be known before you leave.

James W. Allman
Grayling

We've had enough

To the editor:

I was reading your newspaper on the economy of Grayling and the amusement park situation. I feel as though I must let you know about the experiences that I had at a state forest campground.

We decided to camp at a state forest campground because we wanted to fish at Lake Margrethe. It's a nice place, with clean sites and the lake is beautiful.

As we were setting up, the camp host Nazi came by and literally attacked us verbally because we had parked my car on the adjacent site, while we backed in our camper and boat. We were going to reserve the spot for our friends that were on their way. We did not know that you can't reserve a spot for anyone but yourself. We stood there completely amazed at how hostile she was.

We moved the car and when our friends arrived there, the spot was reserved. Our spot was real big and we wanted to put both campers on our site and the boats on theirs. So, we walked down to their trailer and tried to talk to them. They would not come out of their trailer, so we talked to them through the screen door. She was just plain nasty and completely mean. He finally came to the door and we had a decent conversation. We told him we did not know the rules, and two weeks prior to that, had been at Reidsburg Dam State Forest Campground and was allowed to stay on the same site. We did not understand why it was not allowed at this place. He just kept saying he would take us up and show us the rules. We

were not trying to break the rules, just trying to talk to them.

It did not stop there. That night at about 9:45 p.m. we were sitting at the picnic table when she popped out of the dark, scared us to death and told us to put out the tiki torches. I knew there was no campground fires, but did not realize tiki torches either. We put them out immediately. She told us to use our “indoor voices,” and that they only wanted good families camping there. What an insult, we are in our middle 50s and all we were doing was talking with our “indoor voices.”

The next day we talked with a DNR officer, told him our concerns and he went and told her to leave us alone. So, the next couple of days she walked in front of the campground site constantly, with her palm camcorder in hand. She stopped our son and told him he could not ride his bike on the trails.

We had enough. We packed up, left two days early and went to Black Lake. We stopped at a garage sale and talked to a very nice lady. She found out that we were staying at that campground and her words were, “That woman at that campground is nasty, hope you guys will be ok.” Also, she told us that the camp host has the DNR in her back pocket. How ridiculous is that?

We will not be back to stay at the Grayling State Forest Campground until this woman is gone. It is a shame, with the economy being at a very hard time, that a person like that is allowed to run off people from your area.

Debbie Dougherty
Ovid

Letters to the Editor

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words. Every letter must be signed and

an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

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BRIEFS

Color tour tickets available

The Timberliner, a steam engine, will arrive in Grayling at 12:30 p.m., on Oct. 6 and 7, from Kawkawlin. Tickets for the color tour, a special two hour side trip from Grayling, will be available at the Grayling Chamber, Historical Museum and AuSable Gifts on Saturday, Oct. 6 only.

GPA to present special performance

The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Series will present Gemini, at the Grayling High School Auditorium, on Thursday, Oct. 11. The doors open at 6:45 p.m., performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available in advance at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce at 989-348-2921, or at the door.

MARSP to hold meeting

The Crawford-Oscoda Chapter of MARSP (Michigan Association for Retired School Personnel) will hold its fall meeting at 12 p.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 10, at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Grayling. Branko Bojicic, the Blue Cross Blue Shield representative, will be the speaker. The cost is \$8 for the luncheon. Call Bob Summers at 344-1905 for reservations by noon on Oct. 5.

Crawford County Democrats to meet

The Crawford County Democrats will gather for their regular meeting on Thursday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m., at the Crawford County Court House. For more information, to go www.crawfordcountydems.org.

VFW Post 3736 to hold meeting

The VFW Post #3736 and the ladies auxiliary will meet on Oct. 9, at 6 p.m., at the American Legion Hall. There will be a potluck dinner, so bring a dish to pass. The ladies auxiliary will have their yearly inspection. All officers need to attend. Call Deb Nemeth at 348-4128, with any questions.

COA to go to Alpena

On Thursday, Oct. 11, the Grayling Senior Center, will participate in a senior swap with the Alpena Senior Center. They will travel to Alpena for lunch at their senior center and then to the Presque Isle Lighthouses. The bus will leave the center at 9:30 a.m., cost is \$15. Call the center at 348-7123 for reservations. On Oct. 25 the senior center will host the Alpena Senior Center for lunch and then to Dawson & Stevens Classic Diner for ice cream. Cost for the trip is \$2 and will leave the center at 1:15 p.m. Call the center at 348-7123 for reservations.

Church to host Colmus family

The Colmus family, from Kentucky, will perform at the Community of Christ Church, on Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 7, at 11 a.m. The family band tours and spreads the message of Jesus Christ through song and testimony. They play old time gospel favorites, original songs and positive country songs.

Mountain bike group to hold meet -n- greet

The Michigan Mountain Biking Association (MMBA) is hosting a meet-n- greet, Wednesday, Oct. 3, at The Bicycle Shop, Grayling, at 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. All interested bicyclists and outdoor enthusiasts are invited. Food and beverage will be provided for those who arrive at 6 p.m. Seating is very limited, so bring a folding chair. For more information, e-mail northern@mmba.org. No phone calls.

Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Lovells Township meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

GUDA to hold annual Christmas Walk

Grayling Uptown District Association's annual Christmas Walk will be held on Nov. 17. Any interested vendors or non-profit organizations that would like to participate, contact Jamie Greer at 348-7661. Non-profit fee will be \$10, and vendor fee \$25.

Annual Blessing of the Animals to be held

On Sunday, Oct. 7 at 2 p.m., St. Francis Episcopal Church, 6441 M-72 West, Grayling, will have its annual Blessing of the Animals service in commemoration of its patron saint, St. Francis of Assisi. All members of the community can bring their pets and join in this service under the tent in the side yard of the church. Anyone who has a pet that cannot be brought to the church may bring a picture or symbol of the animal and we will bless the animal in absentia. In coordination with the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, information on Senior PetLover Adoption Day will be available.

Kirtland to host community blood drive

Kirtland Community College will host a community blood drive at its main campus near Roscommon from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

Staff, faculty, students and area residents are encouraged to participate in the blood drive, to be held in the college's Student Center, in cooperation with the American Red Cross.

Donors must be 17 years or older, in good general health and weigh at least 110 pounds. Those wishing to donate blood

DNR to hold open house for the Grayling Forest Management Unit

The Department of Natural Resources will host an open house on Tuesday, Oct. 9 to provide information and receive public comment on proposed forest management treatments for 2009, in the Grayling Management Unit. The open house will be held from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Grayling Forest Management Unit office on M-93 in Grayling.

Each year, DNR personnel inventory and evaluate one-tenth of the state forest. Information gathered includes the health, quality, and quantity of all vegetation; wildlife and fisheries habitat and needs; archeological sites; minerals; recreational use; wildfire potential and social factors, including proximity to roads and neighborhoods; and use on adjacent lands, public and private. Proposed treatments, which may include timber harvesting, replanting, and other management activities, are designed to ensure the sustainability of the resources and ecosystems.

The open house is an opportunity for the public to review proposed treatments and to provide input toward final decisions on those treatments. It also provides the public an opportunity to talk

with foresters and biologists about issues of interest. Maps and information regarding the proposed treatments will be available at the open house, and can be accessed at www.michigan.gov/dnr under the Forests, Land & Water section.

Each management unit is divided into smaller units or compartments to facilitate better administration of the resources. Compartments under review this year are in Frederic, Lovells, Maple Forest, Grayling, South Branch, and Beaver Creek Townships in Crawford County; Elmer and Clinton Townships in Oscoda County; and Oscoda Township in Iosco County.

The formal compartment review to decide on prescriptions for these areas is scheduled for 9 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 25, at the Grayling Forest Management Unit office in Grayling.

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for these meetings should contact Susan Thiel at 989-348-6371 ext. 7440 a minimum of five business days before this meeting.

The DNR is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state's natural resources for current and future generations.

School district to honor veterans

The ceremony for the annual Military Hall of Honor, Veteran's Day Assembly will be held on Veteran's Day, Nov. 9, 8:30 a.m., at Grayling High School. This is a chance to honor all service members who have served their country.

A program, entitled Military Hall of Honor, was introduced by Jim Tobin, former board member, at the annual Veteran's Day Assembly at Grayling High School on Nov. 11, 2004. The dedication of the "Hall of Honor" was held on Memorial Day 2005, with 682 names. A group of dedicated Crawford County veterans have continued to work at getting additional names added since this program was introduced. With their help, as well as your applications for nominees, an additional 234 names were added for the 2006 ceremony. These included soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who served our country and attended Grayling or Frederic High School.

The Military Hall of Honor pays tribute to those who have served our country with a display at Grayling High School that represents the veterans of WWI, WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War and Iraq, as well as in non-combat situations. Each plaque is designated with the service member's name and the military branch in which they served. The group is trying to include every Crawford County service member's name who has served, or is currently serving, our nation.

If you have information on a

former Grayling or Frederic student that should be added to the Grayling High School's Military Hall of Honor, call Nancy Wells at 344-3500, or leave a message at 344-3754, with the following information: name of service member (please spell), dates of service, branch of service, and whether the candidate served in active combat. Leave your name and a phone number where you can be reached in case of questions. Donations for the memorial display will be accepted.

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Grayling, October 6 & 7, 2007

Train will arrive in Grayling at 1pm and will be departing at 4pm both days.

Saturday only the Grayling Color Tour departs at 1:30 and returns at 2:30 tickets available at the museum and the chamber office.

Events Around Town

Crawford County Historical Museum - formerly Michigan Central RR Depot will be open

Telegrapher - inside Historical Museum - following train from Kawkawlin

Trapper - Courtyard of Museum

Habitat for Humanity food tent - museum court yard

Mercy Hospital food booth - museum court yard

Farmer's Market - Norway Street
Featuring fall fruits and vegetables as well as flowers and cheese, along with maple syrup and handmade baskets.

Michigan Military Museum of Transport - display Norway St.

Trooper on the Train - Educational materials for children

Arts & Crafts Show - Grayling Elementary School - lunch also available in cafeteria

Shuttle bus - Ottawa Street to take visitors to restaurants outside downtown Grayling and the craft show

Hayrides - Wellington Farm Park - tours around the city to take visitors to restaurants and shopping area

Information Booth - sponsored by Grayling Lions Club location of events and also to inform visitors of upcoming events and activities in Crawford County

Outstanding shopping in local stores and good food in downtown Grayling, the streetscape should be almost completed and visitors will be able to walk down the sidewalks to restaurants and shopping areas, if unable to walk they can take the hay ride or the CCTA shuttle bus.

CCTA bus stops will be: Ottawa Street, Westside Diner, Grayling Elementary School, Big Boy, Ramada Inn, Pizza Hut, and then back to Ottawa Street.

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M-72 East • Grayling

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Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465

The Bible Speaks

Sanctified Service

Romans 6:13 places an emphasis upon our personal responsibility to yield the members of our body unto God and not unto sin. "13Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God." We are each day yielding or presenting our body members as tools to be used either for sin and evil or for God and righteousness.

As Christians our best example for yielding ourselves to God is our Lord Jesus Christ. He never yielded to sin. "22Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth." (1 Pet 2:22). Hebrews 4:15 says He "...was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." "5And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin." (1 John 3:5).

Jesus Christ always yielded his body members as instruments unto God and righteousness because He always did God's will and not His own. "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of

him that sent me." (John 6:38). "30I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me." (John 5:30).

Jesus Christ always spoke truth because He spoke the words God gave Him to speak. "16Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me." (John 7:16). "49For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak." (John 12:49). "...I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things." (John 8:28). Jesus Christ gave us the same words in Holy Scriptures to know God's will. "For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me." (John 17:8).

Jesus Christ always did the will of God and spoke the words of God, but He also always did the works of God. "19Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the

Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise." (John 5:19). "34Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work." (John 4:34). "...for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me." (John 5:36). "If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not." (John 10:37).

The lie of this secular world teaches us we must serve self, sin, and Satan to be free and happy. The lust and pride of this world lead us to sin, destruction, and death. Jesus prayed for us in John 17:17: "17Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." "32And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." (John 8:32,36). "And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts." (Psalm 119:45). Sanctified service gives freedom. Pastor "B"

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OBITUARIES

Dorothy E. Gleffe

March 26, 1925 - Sept. 27, 2006
Dorothy Ellen Roberts Gleffe, passed away peacefully under the full moon on September 27, 2007.

She was born on March 26, 1925, in Elkton.

She graduated from Wayne State University College of Nursing and helped serve her country during WWII as a nurse at our national military bases.

She, and her late husband Robert, raised four children in Saginaw and later spent summers in Grayling. She was a loving and wonderful mother, who enjoyed baking, golfing, boating and held a special place in her heart for her many dogs. She always lit up a room with her quick wit and great sense of humor. She embraced both living and giving and was always willing to volunteer, when needed.

Both Dottie and Robert, until permanently moving back to Michigan, would volunteer each week at the local hospital in Bradenton, Fla. The hospital valued both her nursing skills and the ability to empathize with patients. She was a regular at the YMCA in Saginaw, excelling at racquetball, and was an outstanding golfer at the Grayling Country Club.

She is survived by her loving children: Barbara Jo (Michael) Giulio, Dr. Robert F. (Nancy) Gleffe, Beverly June (Patrick) Thompson and Bonnie Jean (Paul) Karas; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and her special friend, Bob Minshuff.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert; father, Joseph Roberts; mother, Caroline (Lena) Ziegler Roberts; sister, Marian and brother, Bud.

A private service is being planned for immediate family.

Gail M. Raby

Jan. 3, 1928 - Sept. 28, 2007
Gail M. Raby, 79, of Clear Lake, formerly of Luzerne, passed away on September 28, 2007, at West Branch Medical Center.

She is survived by daughter, Verna (John) Meharg of Frederic; grandchildren: Jamie Cummings, Joel Cummings, Kayla Cummings, Kristie Cummings, Stephen Meharg; great-grandchildren, Kaine LaChappelle and Jozlynn Cummings; brother, Roy Jones of Gladwin; sisters, Rita Sexton of Ruby and Audrey Sysk of Roseville and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Betty Bree.

A funeral service was held on October 1, at Steuermol and McLaren Funeral Home, with Rev. Daniel Stoneback officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Crawford County Animal Shelter.

Beverly H. Kinkenter

Feb. 26, 1916 - Sept. 27, 2007
Beverly Hope Kinkenter, age 91, of Alma, passed away on September 27, 2007.

She was born in Lansing, on February 26, 1916, to the late George and Etta Mae (Fletcher) Schaible.

She married Billy J. Kinkenter, on June 24, 1944, in Bloomington, Ind.

She worked as an administrative secretary for the State of Michigan.

She is survived by her husband, Billy, of 63 years.

A memorial service was held at The Pathways Masonic Home of Alma, on October 4, at 4 p.m.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Janice Miller

Janice Miller, age 69, of Grayling, passed away October 1, 2007. Arrangements are pending. Call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home at 348-2951 or visit www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Florence Johnson

Florence Johnson, age 90, of Grayling, passed away October 1, 2007. Arrangements are pending. Call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home at 348-2951 or visit www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Correction

The obituary for Jennie P. Annis, that appeared in the September 27, 2007, Crawford County Avalanche, should have read that Jennie was born on January 30, 1917.

Francis Olsen

Francis Olsen, age 99, previously from Grayling, passed away Sept. 26, 2007, in Roswell, Ga.

Dale A. Czuba

Dec. 10, 1950 - Sept. 25, 2007
Dale Alan Czuba, 56, of Grayling, passed away on September 25, 2007.

He was born in Saginaw, on December 10, 1950, to the late Andrew Joseph and Arlene (Albers) Czuba, of Grayling, who survives him.

He had lived in Grayling since he was 11 years old.

He worked at Gust Auto Parts for 17 years and worked 11 years at CSI. He is fondly remembered by his family and friends as being mechanically gifted and could fix anything.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and mud bogging.

He is survived by his children: Tiffany L. (Joshua) VanHorn of North Pole, Alaska, Capt. Scott A. (Carla) Czuba of Bellevue, Neb., Andy Czuba of Grayling; step-children: Katie Tinker of Grayling, Karie (Mike) Knight of Fort Knox, Ky., Kristen (Brian) Keswick of Portland, Ore., Jamie Walker of Royal Oak, Robert (Liberty) Tinker of Grayling; sisters, Cathy (Pete) Kocenas Czuba and Linda (Richard) Moshier, both of Grayling; nephew, Corey Moshier (Stacy) of Grayling; nieces, Melissa and Haley Kocenas of Grayling; grandchildren: Brittany, Bethany, Bailey, Matthew and Joseph; step-grandchildren: Jack, Bradley, Gregory, Emily, Ryan and Zander.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Details will be placed on the website when available.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Robert Allen

Robert Allen, age 73, of Beaver Creek Township, passed away October 1, 2007. Arrangements are pending. Call Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home at 348-2951 or visit www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

BIRTHS

Mary Susan Denno of Grayling, announces the birth of a daughter, Macayla Eileen, born at Mercy Hospital on September 30, 2007, at 8:10 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 13 ozs., and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length.

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Sunday Service10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday7 pm
Sunday School10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974
Website: www.mum-umc.org
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Traditional Service8:30 & 11:15 am
Contemporary Service10:00 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade)11 am
Adult Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Jorgensen
Phone 989-348-1909
Services held Saturday at
Camp AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
(Bible based & non-denominational)
Pastor Larry Hankins
Associate Pastor Tom Faunce
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovells
989-348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult)10 am
Morning Worship11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Rick Secord - Pastor
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093
Early Service8:30 am
Sunday School10 am
Morning Service11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School9:30 am

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Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
heritagebaptist-grayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School9:45 am
Morning Worship11 am
Evening Worship6 pm
Wednesday7 pm

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Pastor Gary Wojdan
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parsonage 348-7466
Sunday School9:30 am
Morning Worship10:30 am
Evening Service6 pm
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed) 7 pm

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Sunday Worship11:00 am

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Evening Worship6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study7 pm

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church



707 Spruce
Grayling

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Page
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament10 am
Sunday School11 am
Primary11 am
Priesthood12 noon
Relief Society12 noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School10 am
Sunday Service, Children's Church and Youth Service11 am
Sunday Evening Service6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting7 pm
Wednesday Service7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting7 pm
(van transportation available)

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348-5224
Sunday School9:15 am
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Community of Christ
Pastor Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Glenn Rd. • 348-9751
Church School9:45 am
Preaching11 am
Midweek Service Prayer7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office - 707 Spruce - 348-7657

Saturday Evening Masses4:30 pm
Sunday Masses10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West • Office 348-5850
Morning Prayer Tues-Fri8:30 am
Eucharist (Wed)8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist8:30 & 10:30 am

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Sunday Worship / Primary School 10:30 am
Sunday School9:15 am

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Evening Worship6 pm
Wednesday7 pm
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Wednesday Evening7 pm

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Wednesday Service7 pm

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Morning Worship10 am
Youth Bible Study10 am
Wed. Men's Bible Study12 noon

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Borghi, Donaldson wed



Terri Lynn Borghi and Robert Donaldson

Mr. Robert Donaldson of Grayling and Ms. Terri Lynn Borghi of Lewiston would like to announce their marriage.

They were married on September 22, 2007, at Canada Creek Ranch House in Atlanta, at 3 p.m. The wedding was outside on the patio overlooking Lake Geneva. Terri was given away by her son Raymond Borghi. The bride wore an ivory strapless wedding gown with a beaded waist and a handmade beaded veil. She carried a white and red rose bouquet.

The groom and the groomsmen all wore kilts. The kilts are traditional Scottish Prince Charlie with the black vest and jackets. The kilts reflected Bob and Terri's Scottish heritage.

The bridesmaids all wore black gowns and carried red roses.

The best man was Aziz Hussin of Brownstown. The groomsmen were Alex Donaldson, Ian Donaldson, the groom's sons of Grayling and Raymond Borghi, the bride's son of Gaylord.

The bridesmaids were Tammy Jones, Katie Jones and Jennifer Borghi, the bride's daughter, all of Allen Park.

A reception followed the ceremony, where about 50 friends and family members attended, with dinner and dancing afterward.

Bob is an employee of M.P.P. Gas Company in Gaylord and Terri is a homemaker. They will reside in Grayling.

Five Generations



Five generations and a huge wonderful experience for Skip and Sherry Hanson. Top row L to R: Patty Hanson (grandma), Amy Hanson (mommy); bottom: great great-grandma Ruth Strang, holding nine day old Roan Michael, and great-grandma Sherry.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Oct. 4 - 10, is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Oct. 4 and Oct. 8 - 10.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will conduct MK19 40MM Grenade live fire. Oct. 8 - 10.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Oct. 4 - 10.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek. Oct. 5 - 10.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd., and on the east by Carrier Rd. Oct. 8 - 10.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range, located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.). Oct. 8 - 10.

Range 20 and 21, Demolition ranges located south of Howe Rd., west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Rd., and east of the gas pipeline. Oct. 8 - 10.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Oct. 4 - 10.

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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Oct. 5 - Lunch- baked meatloaf, boiled potatoes, green beans almandine and a banana. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, Oct. 8 - Lunch - salmon patty with cream sauce, cauliflower, orange carrot almandine and mixed fruit. Dinner - kielbasa with sauerkraut, au gratin potatoes, green beans, and mandarin oranges. 10:30 a.m. Sit and Be Fit, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Cardio.

Tuesday, Oct. 9 - Lunch - baked ham, glazed sweet potatoes, peas and an apple. Dinner - sausage pizza, Italian blend vegetables, pineapple and peaches. 8:30 a.m. casino trip, 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes and Bible study, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m.

Bunco, 6:30 p.m. Housing Commission Board Meeting.

Wednesday, Oct. 10 - Lunch - cheddar chicken rice casserole, Brussels sprouts, mixed vegetables, and mandarin oranges. Birthday Dinner - roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, spinach, mixed fruit and cake and ice cream. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. AARP Driver's Safety, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Commodities at St. Mary's, 10 a.m. line dancing, 11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. white elephant auction, 3 p.m. pool league, 5 p.m. birthday dinner.

Thursday, Oct. 11 - Lunch - beef goulash, corn, green beans, and peaches. Dinner - turkey pot pie, winter blend vegetables, and oranges and grapefruit. 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. AARP Driver's Safety, 9:30 a.m. Alpena Swap and Lighthouse trip, 10 a.m. craft class, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 86 complaints the week of Sept. 24 - Sept. 30:

Seven suspicious situations, nine general non-criminal complaints, four delinquent minors, three false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct/sexual assault, one assault/intimidation/stalking, four burglaries/home invasions, seven larcenies, 11 public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, seven health and safeties, one conservation, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, nine traffic acci-

dents, one accident non-traffic, two traffic violations-civil infractions, one inspections/investigations-motor vehicle, seven inspections/investigations-family, three lost and found properties and three driving violations/driving white license suspended.

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GPA Entertainment Series presents Gemini

The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Series will be presenting Gemini at the Grayling High School Auditorium on Thursday, Oct. 11.

Gemini celebrates with their audiences the fun, warmth and humor of family life. Kids and adults love to sing with them. From start to finish, the family concert with the twin brothers abounds with arousing sing-alongs, hand motion tunes, folk tales and music from around the world. The highlights of their shows are Gemini's original songs about the everyday experiences of childhood and growing up.

San and Laz combine uncannily matched voices with wonderful musicianship on nearly a dozen instruments. Gemini bring to their concerts a natural ease around children, and they're

equally at home in an intimate setting or in front of an audience of thousands. The twin brothers have an up-beat flair for involving everyone.

Tickets are available, for \$12 or \$10 for seniors and students, at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the door.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m., with the performance beginning at 7:30 p.m.

For more information on this performance, or a schedule for the upcoming series, call the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at 989-348-2921.

This event is presented by the Grayling Promotional Association in partnership with area businesses and corporations, and a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council.



The Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series will present a family celebration with Gemini on Oct. 11, at the GHS Auditorium.

LIBRARY NEWS

Devereaux Memorial Library

Sign up sheets are now available for the last two American Girl events planned in October. On Oct. 11, at 3:30 p.m., meet Neela, an eleven year old Hindu girl growing up in Bengal, India during 1939. Learn about Indian culture, couture and cuisine while enjoying some ginger chai tea and cookies. A doll and book drawing will conclude this event for girls in attendance. On Oct. 18, at 3:30 p.m., enter the world of Minuk, a Yup'ik Eskimo girl during the 1890s. Since sewing was a Yup'ik girl's

greatest asset, girls will learn how to make parkas for wooden dolls. Labrador herb tea will be served along with an Alaskan favorite ... blueberries and whale blubber (jello). A free doll and book will conclude this event for girls in attendance.

The Camouflage Club for boys will be accepting sign ups in the middle of October. Those events will be held on Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 6, 13 and 20. More information will follow.

The average age for these American Girl and Camouflage Club programs is from eight to

12 years old, but we will welcome older kids as well as younger children, as long as they are accompanied by an adult. For questions regarding the programs, call Jane at 989-348-9214.

Frederic Community Library

Paint your pet ... rock that's, on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 11 a.m., at the Frederic Library, 6872 N. Old Frederic Road, Frederic, where you can create and own the perfect pet.

For questions, or to sign up, call Connie Meyer at 989-348-4067.

Card of Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Derek at Central Dispatch, April Rugenstein and Tom King of MMR, and Dr. Wendt and the emergency staff of Grayling Mercy Hospital, for their quick response in saving my life on Monday, Sept. 17, 2007.

We also wish to thank Greg and Julie McClain for their help, as well as Glenn Willoughby and Juan for removing the bees and the hives from my farm.

There are not enough words to express our appreciation for the calls and e-mails and the support of our families and friends.

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Physicians join Mercy Hospital Grayling

Tracy M. Bacik, D.P.M., and Brian M. Brausa, D.P.M., have joined the staff of Mercy Hospital Grayling as specialists in Podiatric Medicine. Both physicians practice at Ankle and Foot Associates of Northern Michigan, 408 Lake St., Roscommon. Their office can be reached at 989-275-3668, and they are currently accepting new

patients.

Both Dr. Bacik and Dr. Brausa graduated from the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio, and completed their residencies at Providence Hospital, Southfield. They are also board certified in foot and ankle surgery. The physicians met in podiatry school, and were recently married.



Brian M. Brausa, D.P.M. and Tracy M. Bacik, D.P.M. are shown in front of their Roscommon office.

Mercy receives Governor's Award of Excellence

Mercy Hospital Grayling has received the 2006 Governor's Award of Excellence for improving patient safety and quality of care in the hospital setting. The hospital has received similar Governor's Award recognition for 2003, 2004 and 2005.

"We are very pleased to be recognized for the fourth year in a row for the quality of patient care that takes place here each day," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling. "This award again reflects the commitment to excellence by our staff and physicians."

The award is issued by Gov. Jennifer Granholm's office and MPRO, a health care quality improvement and safety organization with extensive experience in Medicare and Medicaid

programs, managed care operations, research methodologies and data analysis.

In concert with Gov. Jennifer Granholm, the Governor's Award of Excellence honors Michigan hospitals that are performing quality initiatives aimed at improving patient care.

This award acknowledged Mercy Hospital Grayling for Telehealth Medicine.

In addition to Mercy Hospital Grayling, Munson Healthcare System hospitals receiving Governor's Awards are Kalkaska Memorial Health Center, Mercy Hospital Cadillac, Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital in Frankfort, Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord, and West Shore Medical Center in Manistee.

North Central Michigan Community Foundation awards grants

The North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF) awarded \$7,024.80 with its 2007 Common Grant cycle. These grants are awarded from the Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda County Community Needs Funds to programs that benefit residents in these communities.

The following organizations were awarded funding for their programs during the Common Grant cycle:

River House, Inc. was awarded \$1,600 to purchase toys for children at River House Shelter, making their stay a bit easier.

Crawford County Christian HELP Center was awarded \$500 for their Summer Lunch Program, which provides lunches for approximately 200 children from low-income families during the summer months.

Crawford County Commission on Aging was awarded \$500 to purchase a freezer for the home meal delivery program.

District Health Department No.10 was awarded \$500 to support a free cancer screening event in Crawford County.

Kirtland Community College received \$474.28 in grants to support funding for the Kirtland Youth Theater's 2007-08 season.

West Branch - Rose City Schools were awarded \$750 to support the Ogemaw Heights and School Robotics Team during the 2007-08 year.

Ogemaw County Genealogical and Historical Society was awarded \$500 to support the

Archive and Artifact Preservation Initiative.

West Branch Crisis Pregnancy Center was awarded \$350 to fund the implementation of a program promoting abstinence.

Sanford Brigade was awarded a \$150 mini-grant to support the Rifle River Rendezvous.

Oscoda County Little League was awarded \$867 to purchase softball equipment for the minor girls' Little League softball program.

Oasis Ministries (His Love Family Resources) was awarded \$833 for its F.Y.I. (For Youth Integrity) program, which is an educational program that promotes smart, healthy choices regarding relationships and other life decisions.

There is still one more grant opportunity remaining for the 2007 grant year. Nonprofit organizations with programs that address smoking cessation and/or prevention for youth or senior citizens are eligible to apply for the NCMCF Tobacco grant. The program or project must benefit residents of Crawford or Oscoda Counties. Applications may be completed online at www.ncmcf.org.

NCMCF, established in 1998, has awarded more than \$975,000 with over 990 grants and scholarships in its effort to improve the quality of life for current and future residents of Crawford, Ogemaw, and Oscoda Counties. NCMCF is an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Northeast Michigan.

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GMS PIT provides snacks for MEAP testing

The Grayling Middle School Parent Involvement Team (GMS PIT) got the new school year underway last week with their first meeting of the year. The PIT is responsible for several activities throughout the year, including MEAP snacks.

The PIT has provided snacks for students during MEAP testing for several years.

"The snacks just help give kids a little extra boost during the sometimes long testing periods," said Principal Jeff Branch.

This year the PIT coordinated services with district food service

director Janet Gaffke to provide individually-wrapped snacks.

The PIT is also distributing fliers to area businesses asking them to support our students and families with the message EAT.SLEEP.MEAP. during the MEAP window of Oct. 8-26.

We just want to remind families that it is important that kids are getting lots of rest and good breakfasts on test days, said Branch. Research shows that kids that get optimum sleep (approximately 10 hours for adolescents) and a nutritious breakfast do better on standardized

tests. Getting a healthy breakfast is also really important during these testing periods.

Healthy breakfasts are recommended all year, but we stress it a bit more during testing periods, said Branch. Karen Neigh, registered dietician at Mercy Hospital explains, "We hope kids can avoid high-sugar content breakfasts because they tend to crash during the testing period and the listless, sleepy feeling of low-blood sugar makes it really hard to concentrate. Breakfasts that are high in protein such as eggs, meat, cheese, whole grains

and fruit, offer consistent fuel for the body to burn all morning long."

Testing is scheduled for mornings, one test per day, during the 11 day window.

The PIT team has established a new e-mail address at gmspit@casdk12.net and parents and staff can use the e-mail address to communicate with PIT members. The next PIT meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. in the GMS Media Center and all middle school parents are encouraged to attend.

AREA EVENTS

Traverse City - The famed multiphonic singers of Tibet's Drepung Loseling Monastery, whose sellout performances in Carnegie hall and Lincoln Center received national acclaim, will perform Sacred Music Sacred Dance for World Healing in Traverse City as part of their international tour of the Mystical Arts of Tibet. The concert will be presented in the Milliken Auditorium of the Dennon Museum Center at Northwestern Michigan College on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door, \$22 for museum members. Call the museum box office at 231-995-1553 or buy tickets online at www.dennosmuseum.org.

The performance features multiphonic singing, wherein

the monks simultaneously intone three notes of a chord. The Drepung Loseling monks are particularly renowned for this unique singing. They also utilize traditional instruments such as 10-foot long dung-chen horns, drums, bells, cymbals and gyaling trumpets. Rich brocade costumes and masked dances, such as the Dance of the Sacred Snow Lion, add to the exotic splendor.

The Dennon Museum Center is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$4 adults, \$2 for children and free to museum members. For more information on the museum and exhibition, go to www.dennosmuseum.org or call 231-995-1055. The Dennon Museum Center is located at 1701 East Front Street, Traverse City, at the

entrance to the campus of Northwestern Michigan College.

Comins - A collection of prints, watercolors, photographs, paintings and models of Michigan lighthouses is presently on display at the Michigan Magazine Museum near Comins. Featured are photographs by Bill and Ruth Penrose of West Branch and three-dimensional models by Mary White of Lewiston. Bill and Ruth Penrose have also written *A Traveler's Guide to 116 Michigan Lighthouses*.

The museum's permanent collection of lighthouses will be on display as well.

The show will continue through Oct. 14 to coincide with the Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival in Alpena, scheduled for Oct. 11, 12, 13

and 14.

For information on the Lighthouse Show at Michigan Magazine Museum call 989-848-2246. For information on the Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival call 989-595-3632, or go to www.lighthousefestival.org.

Roscommon - A fund-raiser, Trick or Treat at Cindy Lou's Zoo, will be held on Oct. 20, from noon to 5 p.m. Visit with over 100 animals and trick or treat at the same time. Free games and prizes. Children 12 and under, free admission. 50 percent of the proceeds will be donated to Friends Helping Friends of Roscommon County. Cindy Lou's Zoo is located at 6327 M-18, Roscommon (5 1/2 miles from downtown Roscommon on North M-18) 989-275-4500.

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Community gets lesson in Flag:101

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speculating that Alaska and Hawaii would be admitted to the union, designed a new 50-star flag for his history class project. Heft believed that two states would be added to the union to balance out the political climate in the nation.

Raised by his grandparents, Gladys and William Pete Schromme, Heft took the family flag and ripped it apart with a seam ripper to come up with the new configuration of stars and stripes. His grandmother was so livid, because she considered the act to be unpatriotic, that she refused to help with the project. It was the first and only time that Heft sat at a sewing machine, piecing together what would eventually become the nation's banner.

The flag failed to impress his teacher Stanley Pratt. In fact, other students placed their projects on top of the flag. Pratt admonished Heft in front of the class for thinking he had a "political crystal ball."

"It really rubbed me the wrong way," Heft said.

Heft received a B- on the project because Pratt said it lacked originality. The teacher, however, challenged Heft and said he would change the grade if he could get the flag accepted in the nation's capitol.

Heft sought the help of his Congressman, Walter H. Moeller. He peddled his bike across town and delivered the flag to Moeller at his home. He followed up on his push to have the flag accepted with 21 letters and 18 phone calls.

Two years after designing the flag, Heft saw his class project become the nation's Old Glory on July 4, 1960. He was working as a draftsman at the Diamond Power Specialty Corp, designing electronics for nuclear submarines, when he received a phone call from President Dwight D. Eisenhower for the initial flag raising ceremony.

Eisenhower dubbed Heft as the "Modern Day Betsy Ross" during their conversation.

"When you're a guy, you really don't like being called Betsy Ross, but it got the point across," Heft said.

Heft said he drove his fire engine red, Plymouth Valiant, right up to the White House, shocking guards that such a young man was a guest of the president's.

"I stayed in the White House before I stayed in a Holiday Inn," he said.

Upon returning home, one of the first visits Heft made was to his former history teacher. In front of television cameras and news reporters, Pratt changed Heft's grade for his project to an A.

"You can follow your dreams, but they have to be proper and true, and can be realized by hard work," Heft told the Grayling Middle School students last week.

Over the last four decades, Heft has spoken in all 50 states

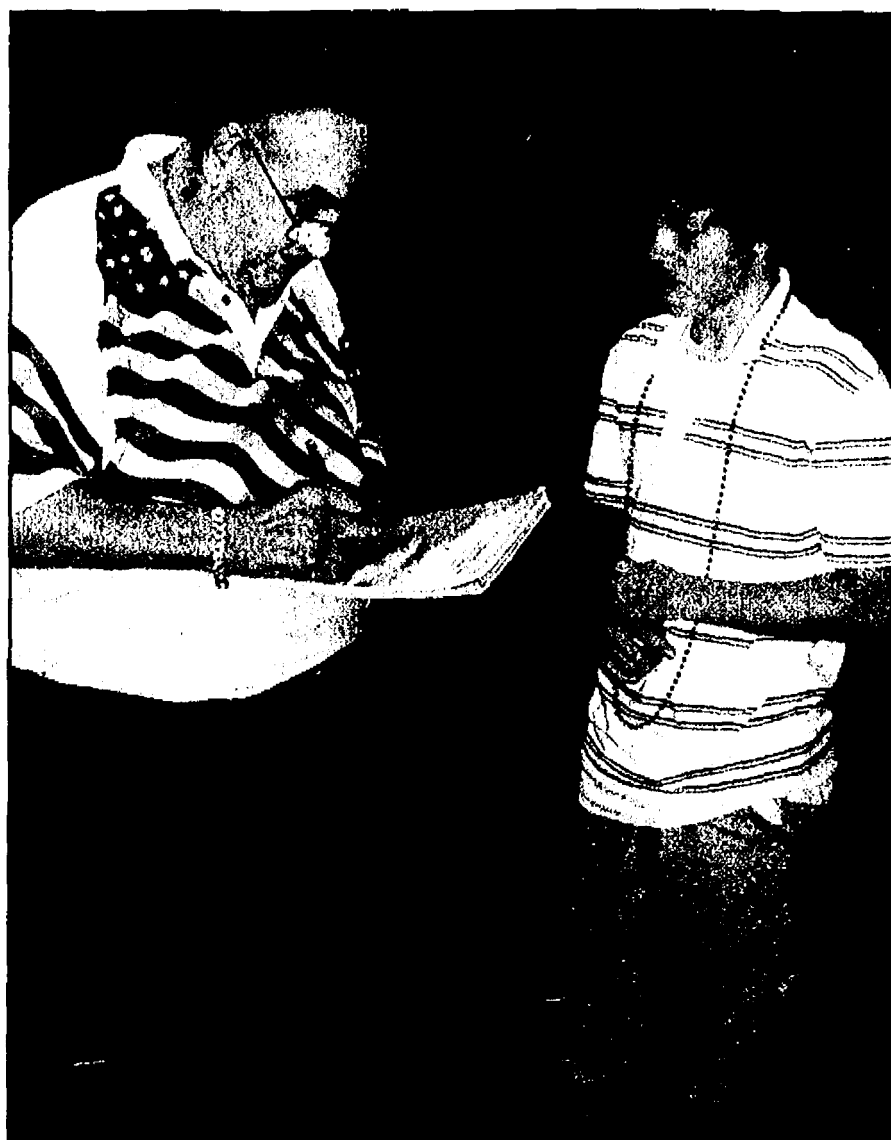


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Sponsored by the Grayling Rotary Club, Bob Heft spoke to the students at the Grayling Middle School about how his project became a part of history. Above, Heft signs Wesley Dean's notebook after his speech to the students.

and in 57 foreign countries. He travels over 130,000 miles each year, making nearly 225 speeches annually.

Heft has appeared with Bob Hope, Johnny Carson, Gen. William Westmoreland, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, Lee Greenwood and Regis Philbin.

He has visited the White House 14 times and has met nine United States Presidents.

Heft said that he does not have a favorite president he has met, and tries to stay out of politics.

"I respect the office of the president, regardless of the person who is in the White House," Heft said.

Insurance companies have appraised the flag that Heft designed, initially valued at \$2.86, to now be worth \$1.2 million.

Heft retired the flag from his busy touring schedule six months ago.

Heft is currently trying to sell

the flag, with plans to establish a trust for his great-nieces and great-nephews to pay for their college education.

"They have absolutely nothing, so I want to be able to do something with the flag while I still have control over it," Heft said.

The 50-star flag reached a major milestone on July 4, 2007, when it became the United States' longest-serving flag - surpassing the 47 years that the 48-star flag represented the United States.

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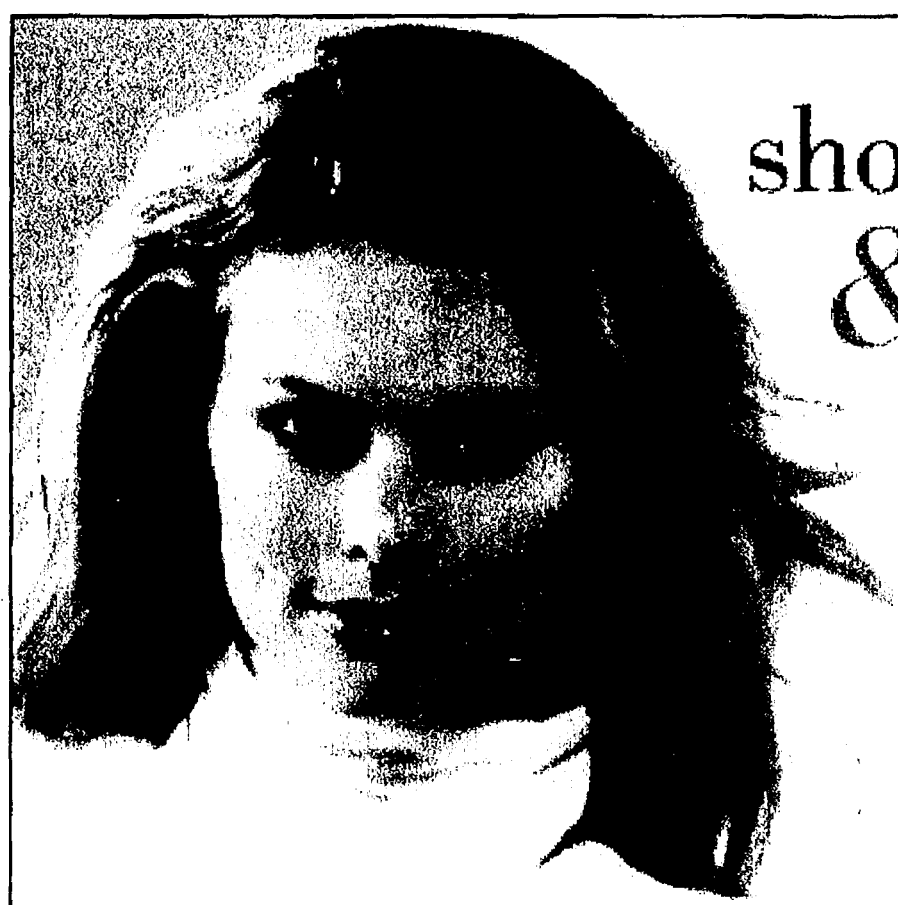
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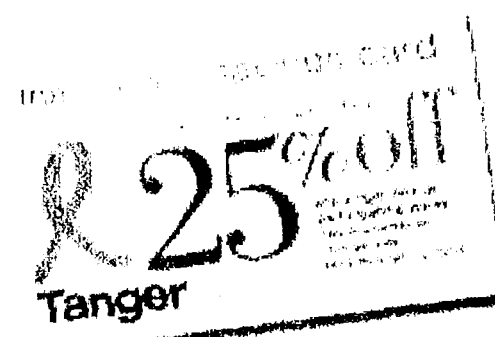
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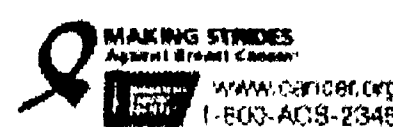
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The Grayling Equestrian Team (High School Division) competed in its final meet of the season on Sunday, Sept. 23, in West Branch.

Alexis Peck finished 2nd in Equitation Over Fences, 7th in

Flag Race, 7th in Two-Man Relay, and had an honorable mention in Cloverleaf. Peck competed on two horses, Cherokee and Princess. She broke and trained Princess herself.

Ann Hamlin placed 6th in Saddle Seat Pattern, 6th in Saddle Seat Bareback, 1st in Pole Bending, 3rd in Cloverleaf, 7th in Two-Man Relay, and had an honorable mention in Huntseat Bareback.

Hamlin competed on her versatile 26-year-old gelding, Bart Speed.

Laura Johnson finished 8th in the Flag Race on Reggie.

Maggie Peck coached the team this year.



The 2007 Grayling Equestrian Team (High School Division): Laura Johnson, Alexis Peck, Ann Hamlin.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Recreation League

GMH-NCC.....	12 - 4
American Legion.....	10 - 6
Days Inn.....	9 - 7

Woody Girls.....	9 - 7
Glen's Market.....	8 - 8
T & T Fishing.....	6 - 10
Robin L. Smith CPA.....	6 - 10
Grayling Nurs.Center.....	4 - 12
High Series: M. Starks, 528; B. Wheeler, 525; V. Balmes, 516.	
High Game: B. Wheeler and S. Johnson, 203; M. Starks, 189.	

National First

Continental Rental.....	20 - 8
Corky's Karaoke.....	20 - 8
Pittman Bld.....	15 - 13
Spikes.....	14 - 14
Faustman Insurance.....	14 - 14
Medicine Shoppe.....	12 - 16
Upper Lakes.....	11 - 17
Legion Lanes.....	6 - 22
High Series: T. Hulbert, 647; P. Benardo Sr., 620; P. Faustman, 615.	
High Game: T. Collen, 244; P. Benardo Sr., 243; T. Hulbert, 236.	

Friday Mixed Doubles

Bucket Brigade.....	18 - 10
MMR.....	17 - 11
Last Call.....	17 - 11
Miller Spillers.....	16 - 12
L & L Hauling.....	14 - 14
American Legion.....	14 - 1
Forget About It.....	10 - 18
Great Lakes Roofing.....	6 - 22
High Series Men: R. Sartin, 577; J. Lehman, 566; D. Canfield, 564.	
High Game Men: D. Canfield, 226; L. Bresmon, 224; D. Williamson, 215.	
Series Women: M. Starks, 551; P. Younglove, 473; H. Stairs, 461.	
High Game Women: M. Starks, 236; J. Williamson, 177; H. Stairs, 168.	

American Men's League

Fenton's Auto Serv.....	19 - 9
Moore's Auto.....	18 - 10
McLean's ACE.....	16 - 12

Otsego Lake Service.....	15 - 13
GADCO.....	15 - 13
Dragon Repair.....	12 - 16
West Side Diner.....	10 - 18
Derwich Ind.....	7 - 21
High Series: T. Kotrash, 687; M. Smith, 631; R. Boonie, 612.	
High Game: T. Kotrash, 277; M. Smith, 245; L. Ostrowski, 237.	

Pioneer League

Grayling Rest.....	6 - 2
McDonald's.....	6 - 2
Johnson Const.....	5 - 3
Tim's Collision.....	4 - 4
Eagles Nest Sports.....	3 - 5
"5" B's.....	3 - 5
T.C.Lawncare.....	3 - 5
Spicy Bob's.....	2 - 6
High Series: C. Wyatt, 583; D. Argue, 537; P. D'Amour, 508.	
High Game: T. Rock, 211; P. D'Amour, 210; D. Argue, 204.	

POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings

Frederic Inn.....	14
Two Track.....	18
Sawmill.....	12

Growlers Pub.....	8
Legion.....	6
Ramada Inn.....	2
5 Ball Runs: Johanna (Two	

Track): 6 Ball Runs: Rose (Frederic Inn); 8 Ball Break: Carla (Growlers); Won all games: Siss and Annette (Frederic Inn).	
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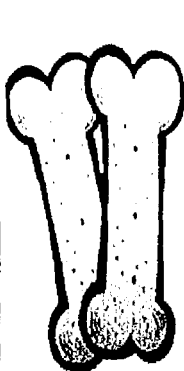
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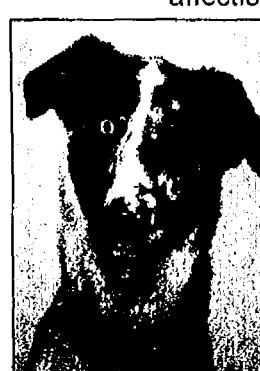
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Vikings score on first seven drives in 51-0 win at Kalkaska

Grayling moves to 5-1 with second consecutive shutout victory

■ *GHS to play in a day game at Traverse City vs. 5-1 Gladiators on Saturday, Oct. 6*

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings scored points on their first seven possessions of last Friday's varsity football game at Kalkaska, led by a score of 44-0 at halftime, and improved their season record to 5-1 with an eventual 51-0 victory.

The first possession of the game ended with a punt by the Kalkaska Blazers on 4th and 13.

On Grayling's second play of the night - 2nd and 11 from Grayling's 33-yard line - running back Ryan Cooper rushed for 20 yards. Runs by Cooper, fullback Tim VanNuck, and quarterback Jimmy Osga picked up 12 yards and a first down. On 2nd and 10, Cooper caught a screen pass from Osga and took it 35 yards for a touchdown. Jason Drudge kicked the extra point and Grayling led 7-0 with 7:08 left in the first period.

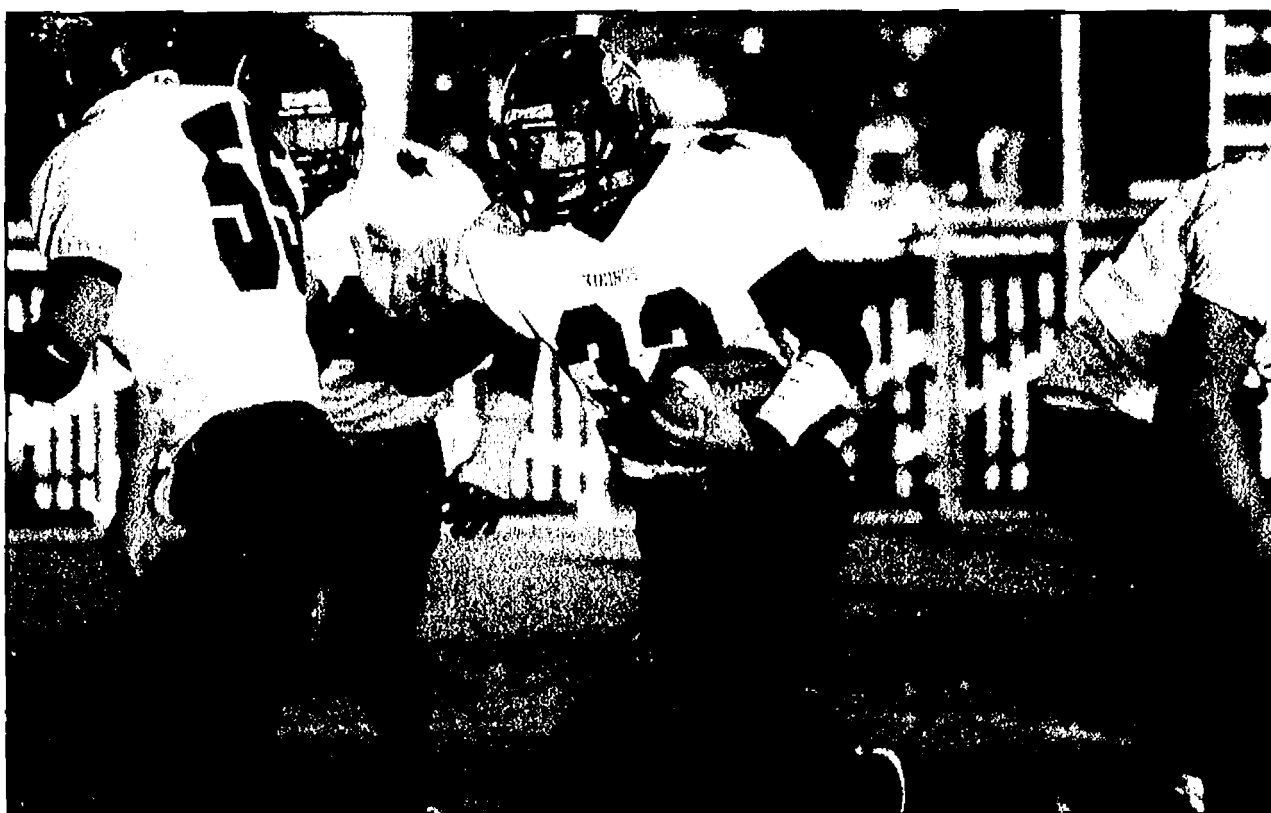
Kalkaska punted on 4th and 9 and Grayling started 43 yards from the goal line. On first down, Osga threw to Isaac VanNuck for a 43-yard touchdown. Drudge added the extra point and the Vikings led 14-0 with 5:42 remaining in the first quarter.

On 4th and 4, Kalkaska fumbled the snap on a punt attempt and Adam Gabriel recovered the ball for the Vikings. Osga passed to Josh Stapleton for 12 yards on first down. On the next play, Cooper ran for a 23-yard TD. Continued on Page 2B

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Adam Gabriel gets up after recovering a Kalkaska fumble for the Vikings on Friday night.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Ryan Cooper carries the ball for the Grayling at Kalkaska on Friday.

JV football squad defeats Kalkaska 38-14

■ *Tyler Hanson rushes for 233 yards and two touchdowns at GHS on Thursday night*

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings defeated the Kalkaska Blazers by a final score of 38-14 in a penalty-filled junior varsity football game last Thursday at Grayling High School.

The first possession of the game ended with a Kalkaska punt on 4th and 19. The Vikings started at their 15-yard line. Running back Tyler Hanson rushed for 12 yards on first down. Hanson ran for 22 yards

on the next play. Two penalties slowed the drive, and Grayling punted on 4th and 30.

The Blazers finished a five-play, 53-yard drive with a 36-yard touchdown pass on 3rd and 10. The two-point conversion run came up short, and the Blazers led 6-0 with 1:08 left in the first quarter.

The kick return by Cody Myers gave the Vikings good starting field position at Kalkaska's 44-yard line, but Grayling was unable to capitalize and surrendered the ball on downs with an incomplete pass on 4th and 6.

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Photo by Caleb Casey

Tyler Hanson runs the ball for Grayling's JV football team during last Thursday's game vs. the Kalkaska Blazers.

Boys soccer team wins two games, loses one

■ *Vikings win 3-2 at Boyne City and post a 5-0 victory vs. Bobcats of Houghton Lake*

Grayling High School's varsity boys soccer team set out to win all three of its games last week in an effort to get to within one victory of .500. The

Vikings defeated Boyne City and Houghton Lake, but lost a 3-2 game vs. Kalkaska.

"We had a goal of becoming 6-7 this week. We knew we were going to have to be at our best in order to get there," Coach Craig Cobb said.

On Monday, the Vikings won 3-2 at Boyne City.

Grayling scored two goals in the first two minutes of the game. The Vikings scored again with about 20 minutes left in the first half to take a 3-0 lead. The Ramblers scored twice in the second half but the Vikings held on for the 3-2

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Photo by Caleb Casey

Colin Hamlin dribbles the ball for the Vikings vs. Houghton Lake.

Grayling wins tennis meet vs. Boyne City 4-2

■ *Vikings win three singles events and one doubles event in meet at GHS on Tuesday*

The GHS tennis team defeated the Boyne City Ramblers 4-2 in a meet held at Grayling High School last Tuesday.

Radel Rosen (#1 singles) won his match 7-5, 6-2. Reid Holzbauer (#2 singles) won 7-6 (7-1), 7-6 (7-4) with tiebreakers in both sets. Emily Sloan (#3 singles) won 6-0, 6-3. Tiffany Stump's match at #4 singles was called due to darkness.

In doubles action, Katie Zill

and Mike Zill (#3) won 6-1, 6-2. Boyne City won #1 doubles and #2 doubles. Neither team had enough players to field a #4 doubles squad, and Grayling won the meet 4-2.

"We're all proud of this win

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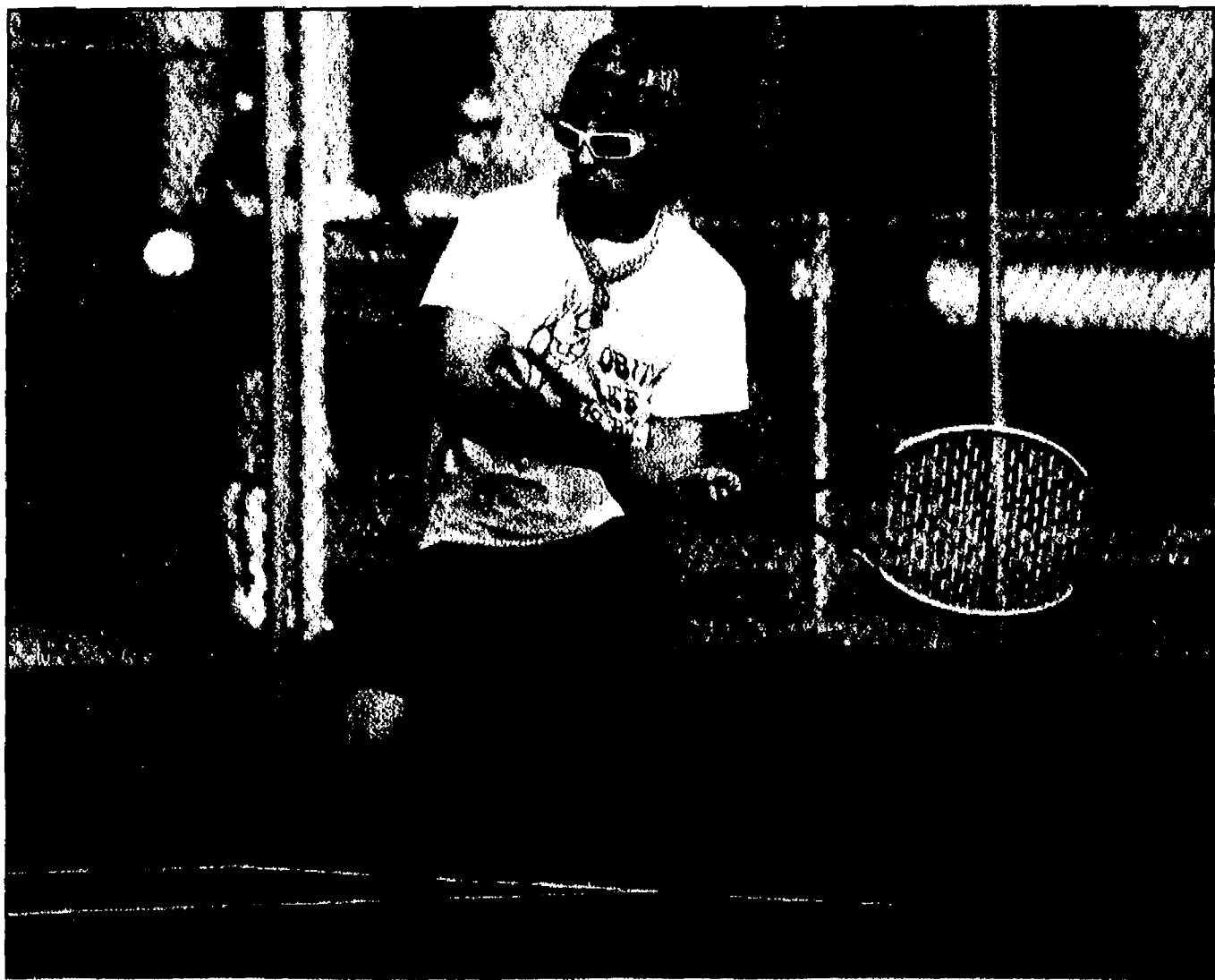


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Reid Holzbauer hits a backhand shot during a recent tennis meet vs. Charlevoix.

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Drudge kicked the extra point. GHS led 21-0 with 3:27 left in the first period.

The Blazers punted on 4th and 4. Justin Farnsworth returned the kick to Kalkaska's 44-yard line. On the second play of the possession, Osga threw a short pass to I. VanNuck, who broke a tackle and got free for a touchdown. With Drudge's extra point kick, GHS led 28-0.

On 4th and 2 at their 26-yard line, the Blazers went for it and came up short. The Vikings took over on downs 23 yards from the end zone. On 2nd and 5, T. VanNuck ran 18 yards for a touchdown. Drudge kicked the extra point and Grayling led 35-0 with 10:28 left in the first half.

After a punt by Kalkaska on 4th and 5, Grayling started at its 35-yard line. Cooper ran for 18 yards on the first play of the series. A pass from Osga to Cooper gained 22 yards on the next play. Runs by Cooper and T. VanNuck picked up another first down. On 3rd and 4, Osga passed to tight end Spencer Dean for a seven-yard touchdown. The snap and hold process failed on the conversion attempt, and GHS led 41-0 with 6:04 left in the first half.

Kalkaska fumbled on first down and Tory Myers recovered the ball for the Vikings.

On 1st and 10, quarterback Adam Gabriel tossed to running back Dustin Russo on an option play for a gain of eight yards. Fullback Matt Haight ran for 24 yards on 2nd and 2. Runs by Russo and Haight picked up 10 more yards. On 4th and 5, Drudge kicked a 27-yard field goal to give

the Vikings a 44-0 lead with 1:50 left in the first half.

On the fourth play of Kalkaska's next drive, the Blazers fumbled and Haight recovered the loose ball for GHS. The Vikings kneeled once to kill the first half's final 24 seconds. Grayling led 44-0 at halftime.

Grayling punted on 4th and 15 from its 47-yard line. Kalkaska punted on 4th and 6 from Grayling's 27-yard line.

The Vikings started at their eight-yard line after the punt. Grayling drove 92 yards on 10 plays and finished the series with a six-yard TD run by Gabriel. The drive also included five runs by Russo and four runs by Haight. Drudge kicked the extra point and GHS led 51-0.

Kalkaska took over at its 34-yard line with 5:15 remaining in the game. The Blazers drove into Grayling territory, burned all three of their time-outs, and ended the game with a running play on 2nd and 13. The Vikings won 51-0.

Cooper finished with 70 yards on six carries with one TD and three receptions - including a TD catch - for 57 yards. Osga threw for 180 yards on 7 for 10 passing with four TDs. I. VanNuck caught two passes - both touchdowns - for 87 yards.

On defense, T. VanNuck had seven tackles and one sack, Geo Bindschattel had six tackles and one sack, and Haight had six tackles, one sack, and a fumble recovery.

"Jimmy Osga really led us tonight. He threw four touchdown passes in a quarter and a half. We knew that we wanted to get an early lead so that we could rest everyone for St. Francis (this) Saturday. Isaac VanNuck also stepped up his game with two catches for touchdowns. Ryan Cooper made the most of his first half by scoring twice. Spencer Dean, Tim VanNuck, and Adam Gabriel also added touchdowns. And you can never be upset with your first string defense when they don't give up a single first



Photo by Caleb Casey

Justin Farnsworth returns a Kalkaska punt for the Vikings on Friday.

down," Coach Ben Brock said. "We are relieved that we finished the last two games without getting anyone injured. We are looking forward to this weekend's matchup against TC St. Francis."

The victory vs. Kalkaska last Friday was Grayling's second consecutive shutout. On Friday, Sept. 21, the Vikings defeated Harbor Springs 63-0. This weekend, the Grayling Vikings (5-1 overall, 3-1 conference) will play the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators (5-1 overall, 4-0 conference) at Thirly Field in Traverse City on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m.

"There aren't too many times when you get a second shot at a big game. This is the same situation that we were in a year ago. We still have the same guys as last year and I know that they have been thinking about this game the entire off-season. St. Francis simply reloaded. I am excited to see how our leaders will attack the game and how we will overcome adversity when it occurs," Coach Brock said.

"Their top running backs are

Andrew Rushlow, Grant Robb, Danny Brick, Jack Gallagher, Parker Prusick, and a load of others waiting to get their shot at running the ball. Their QB is Spencer Ambrosious and he has only lost three games in two years as a starter for the Gladiators. His favorite target is his tight end Spencer Popp. Coach Josh Sellers has already won two state championships in four seasons as a head coach. They are loaded and never have to worry about a lack of talent or a weakness of any kind. They are in Division 7 for playoffs, but I would put them up against any Division 4 team in the state," Coach Brock said.

"We have never beaten them in our school's history. This game is always a measuring stick as to how well we will do in the playoffs. Actually, no one has beaten St. Francis since 2001 in our league. This should be a great atmosphere for high school football and our Spirit Club has already told me that they will be tailgating at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday morning," Coach Brock said.

JV football squad defeats Kalkaska

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Kalkaska punted on 4th and 5 from its 46-yard line and the Vikings started at their 35-yard line. Hanson ran for 15 yards on first down. On the next play, Hanson ran for 13 yards. On 2nd and 9, Hanson ran for 32 yards. On 1st and goal, Hanson ran the ball into the end zone for a four-yard TD. Kalkaska stopped Grayling's two-point conversion attempt, and the score was tied at 6-6 with 7:29 left in the first half.

On 3rd and 14, Joe Tottingham forced a Kalkaska fumble and Hanson recovered the ball for Grayling at Kalkaska's 17-yard line. On 4th and 6, quarterback Zach Wolcott passed to Myers for a 13-yard touchdown. Wolcott passed to tight end Andrew Wyman for two points on the conversion attempt, giving GHS a 14-6 advantage with 4:01 left in the second period.

Kalkaska picked up two first downs and drove the ball into Grayling territory. On 4th and 18, the Blazers tried a fake punt and Hanson tackled the ball carrier for a loss, giving Grayling possession of the ball at its 48-yard line with 22 seconds remaining in the half.

The Vikings tried two passing plays and a reverse and the first half ended with Grayling leading Kalkaska 14-6.

Grayling punted on 4th and 20 on the first series of the third quarter. The Blazers punted on 4th and 22 following an intentional grounding penalty.

The Vikings started at their 27-yard line. Two runs by Hanson gained 17 yards. Runs by Hanson and fullback Jake Helsel picked up another first down. On 4th and 9, Wolcott passed to Hanson for a 10-yard gain. Three plays later, on another 4th and 9 situation, Wolcott threw deep to Jordan Helsel, who caught the ball near the sideline just inches from the goal line. After an incomplete pass on 1st and goal, Jake Helsel ran the ball into the end zone for a one-yard touchdown. Wolcott ran the ball across the goal line for the two-point conversion, and Grayling led 22-6 with 20 seconds left in the third period.

Kalkaska punted on 4th and 30 and the Vikings took over at their 49-yard line. Two penalties moved Grayling back, but Wolcott ran for 41 yards on 3rd and 11. On 1st and 20 following a holding penalty, Wolcott threw deep to Nick McDonald for a 19-yard gain. On 2nd and 1, Jake Helsel scored on a two-yard TD run. Wolcott passed to Myers for the two-point conversion. The Vikings led 30-6 with 4:49 left in regulation.

Kalkaska moved from its 28-yard line to Grayling's 37-yard line with three rushing plays. An unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on 2nd and 3 gave Kalkaska a first down at the 21-yard line. The Blazers ran for a 21-yard TD on the next play. Kalkaska scored

two points on the conversion attempt with a pass play. GHS led 30-14 with 57 seconds left in the game.

After the kickoff, Grayling took a knee but the Blazers used the first of their three timeouts to stop the clock. The Vikings ran the ball with Hanson on 2nd and 11 and he broke free for a 90-yard touchdown run. Hanson ran the ball for two points on the conversion attempt. GHS led 38-14 with 18 seconds left in regulation.

Grayling's squib kick was recovered by Tyler Brigham for the Vikings. Grayling kneeled to kill the final seconds and won by a final score of 38-14.

The two teams combined for 20 accepted penalties, including an unsportsmanlike conduct call on Kalkaska that resulted in a player ejection.

The Vikings rushed for 301 yards in the contest. Hanson finished with 233 rushing yards with two TDs.

"Zach Wolcott played his best game thus far throwing for 75 yards and one touchdown while running for 45 yards. Cody Myers and Jake Helsel also played outstanding games and continue to show improvement each week," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "I was very proud of our offensive line. They blocked at 82 percent this week, which is a huge improvement from their 64 percent season average."

"There was a lot of kids who stepped up and contributed to the victory this week. They included Matt Duncel, Ashton Dehoff, Roger Heggie, Tyler Brigham, and Luke Schneider," Coach Ron Wyman said.

"It was fun to see Jake Ervin and Joe White get in on the action this week," Coach Scott Baker said.

The Vikings (2-3-1) will host the Gladiators of Traverse City St. Francis on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 6 p.m. The contest will include a parents night ceremony.

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Soccer team wins two, loses one

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"Boyer fought hard in the second half and scored two goals. Our defense played strong and we were able to beat a very good Boyer team," Coach Cobb said.

Max Kluge had two goals, Jan Fried had one goal, and Mike Olson had two assists for the Vikings.

On Wednesday, the Vikings scored five first half goals and won by a final score of 5-0 vs. the Houghton Lake Bobcats at GHS. Kluge scored the first goal of the game at the 36:46 mark. With 34:12 left in the first half, Matt

Hilbrecht scored Grayling's second goal. Fried scored on an assist from Kluge at the 25:19 mark. Kluge kicked the ball over the goalie on a breakaway to score Grayling's fourth goal (21:26). At the 13:54 mark, Kluge scored his third goal of the contest. Neither team scored in the second half.

"Again we had a strong first half. We were aggressive and moved the ball well and the end result reflected that," Coach Cobb said. "At this point we were 5-7 and had almost reached our goal for the week."

On Thursday, the Vikings

played at Kalkaska.

"We came out flat and Kalkaska came out and played a very aggressive game. They scored two early goals and we went into half down 0-2. We started the second half strong and had the ball at their end of the field three fourths of the time. With 17 minutes left in the game we had come back and tied the game. Unfortunately, Kalkaska was able to hold on and score another goal with about 10 minutes left in the game. We had many, many opportunities to put the ball in the back of the net for the lead, but they just didn't go

in," Coach Cobb said.

Kalkaska won 3-2.

Kluge had one goal and Jan Fried had one goal for GHS.

"We are 5-8. Clearly the guys and myself are disappointed we didn't reach our goal this week; however, I am proud to say that we have seen just how good we can play if we put ourselves to it. That gives us a huge amount of confidence as a young team that will be heading into districts soon. I've been proud of the way we played this week," Coach Cobb said.

The Vikings play at Gladwin on Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 5 p.m.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Dylan Nye (left) and Jake Small (right) control the ball for the Vikings vs. Houghton Lake.

Vikings finish 4th in volleyball tournament

The Grayling Vikings finished 4th in the Subway Invitational volleyball meet held this past Saturday at Grayling High School. The tournament also featured teams from Central Lake, Harrison, Kalkaska, Gaylord, Houghton Lake, and Roscommon.

In pool play, Grayling defeated Houghton Lake, tied with

Harrison, and lost to Kalkaska. GHS advanced as the number two seed out of its pool. In the semifinals, the Vikings lost to Roscommon 2-0 (25-16, 25-15). In the battle for third place, Gaylord defeated Grayling 2-1.

Annie Melroy had 14 kills on the day and Rachel Ward had 13. Ashley Feldhauser had seven

aces, and Alyssa Lewis had 49 assists. Lewis also made the all-tournament team, which is voted by all the coaches.

"This was a good weekend for us. We were able to learn a lot from our mistakes and move forward. We are still missing the component to finish games, especially when we are winning. But

this weekend I saw a new team, that talked more on the floor, encouraged each other, and truly got upset when they lost. I hope they can continue to learn and grow as players for the rest of the season," Coach Jessica Szymoniak said.

The Vikings play at East Jordan on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 6 p.m.

GRAYLING REDSKINS FOOTBALL

Varsity (8th grade) - In its last home game of the season, the Grayling Redskins varsity football team defeated the Houghton Lake Jaguars 28-7.

On defense, the Redskins held Houghton Lake to only one first down and only one play over five yards.

"David Bergan, Avery Bergman, Josh Hopkins, Griffin Dean, Derick Babbitt, Russell Stein, and Cam Wilson all had big contributions to the defensive unit," Coach Bill Dean said.

On offense, fullback Steven Enos rushed for 128 yards and scored three touchdowns.

"Steven is a great kid who has great instincts on the football field, so it was pleasing to see his great performance at his last home game," Coach Dean said.

Babbitt scored his first TD of the year on a three-yard plunge.

"Quarterback Zane Tobin balanced the running game with a very accurate passing performance, as he was able to connect with receivers Riley Zigila and Devon Dawson throughout the contest. The offensive line was overpowering and was led by Jeff Brunell, Brandon Beeda, Cam Wilson, Joe Latusek, Jared Carlyle, Joe Schwartz, Thomas Burrell, Zigila, Babbitt, and Dean," Coach Dean said.

The Redskins travel to Alpena for a 4 p.m. contest vs. the Alpena Jets on Saturday, Oct. 6.

Junior Varsity (7th grade) - The JV Redskins posted a 12-0 victory vs. Houghton Lake this past weekend.

"Best game they have played this year," Coach Jeff Parkinson said.

A 74-yard kickoff return by Jeff Enos to the 2-yard line set up Grayling's first touchdown - a two-yard run by Ty Jensen. Chris Phillips scored Grayling's second TD on a 33-yard run.

"We played Houghton Lake last weekend and lost 30-6. This week was different. We made some adjustments and came out ready to play. They didn't know what hit them," Coach Parkinson said.

"On offense, Enos and Phillips ran the ball great. Ty Jensen and Scott Parkinson ran the offense well. Our line did a great job. Mason Krey, Louis Menard,

Curtis Wilson, Jake Hoover, Dakota Meyers, Jacob Robinson, and Wes Dean all controlled the line of scrimmage," Coach Parkinson said. "We moved the ball well and controlled the clock all day."

"A few adjustments on offense caught them off guard," Coach Bob Jensen said.

Rushing leaders for Grayling: Phillips, 75 yards, one TD; Enos, 50 yards; Parkinson, 30 yards; Jensen, 12 yards, one TD.

"Defensive coordinator John Cochran, Dan Prause, and Dave Meyers made some great adjustments all week in practice. What Houghton Lake ran last week didn't work at all this week. We had great plays from everyone on defense," Coach Parkinson said.

Parkinson and Brandon Handrich had interceptions for the Redskins and Jacob Cochran, Jensen, Enos, and Handrich had QB sacks.

"Zach Mack and Tyler Powers also had some big hits," Coach Parkinson said.

"They didn't get a lot of first downs, maybe five or six all day. We were pushed around the first game but today was different. Our defensive line of Enos, Jensen, Ryan Daly, Darren Labo, Jacob Cochran, and our linebackers - Phillips, Hoover, Handrich, Wes Dean - and our safeties - Mack, Jeff Palmer, Brandon Hassett, and Ryan Nolan - all made a difference. Parkinson and Powers at corners, also. Our defense won this game for us. They put us in good field position and we scored when we needed to," Coach Parkinson said.

Parkinson said.

The Redskins play the Alpena Jets on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 4 p.m. at Alpena.

Freshman 1 (5th&6th grade) - The Grayling Redskins freshman 1 squad defeated the Houghton Lake Jaguars 27-0 on Saturday, Sept. 29.

Brett Jobin rushed for 157 yards on 15 carries and scored three touchdowns. Emmett Helsel ran for 25 yards on five carries. Matt Burrell completed two passes for 38 yards and had 20 rushing yards. Peyton Zigila had one catch and Danny Schultz scored one extra point.

On defense, Jobin had 8 tackles, Sammy Cousins had 4 tackles and 2 sacks, and Brandon Latusek had 4 tackles and 2 sacks. Kevin Harris, Burrell, and Woody Hartwick each had 3 tackles.

"As a team we posted our third shutout of the season. We played well on offense, controlling the line of scrimmage with good blocking from (Lucas) Walesky, (Nick) Argue, (Tyler) Summers, (Jeffrey) Myers, and (Matt) Shelp. Matt Burrell had a good game although his stats don't show it. We had some big passes dropped," Coach Larry Duvall said. "On defense, we only allowed five first downs the whole game. Our cornerbacks, Sammy Cousins and Brandon Latusek, both did a great job forcing everything back to the middle. Brett Jobin played a great game on defense with some big hits. All the kids played well on defense."

The Redskins play at Alpena on Saturday.

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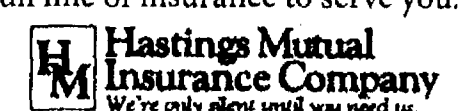
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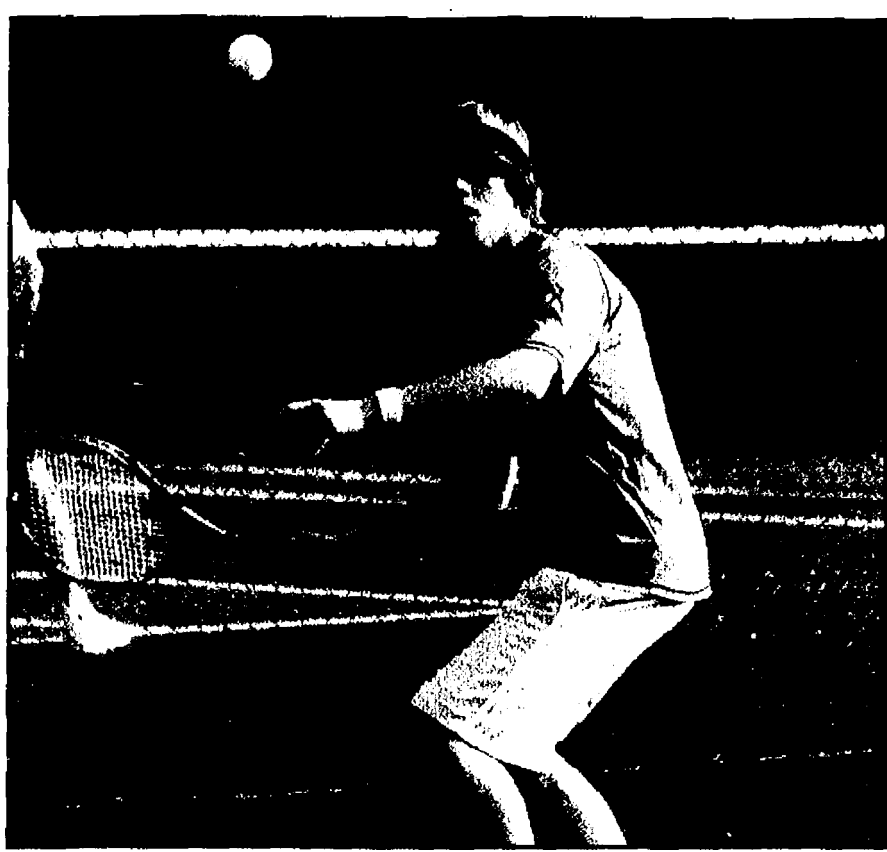
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Photos by Caleb Casey

Emily Sloan (left) and Radel Rosen (right) compete in singles matches for GHS vs. Charlevoix.

Grayling wins tennis meet vs. Boyne City 4-2

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Coach Amy Gauthier said, "These players are on the team because they enjoy tennis, and now they know they can compete with teams in our conference. It will give them some much deserved confidence as we look to the end of our season."

On Thursday, Sept. 20, Grayling fell to Alpena 7-1 at Alpena.

K. Zill and M. Zill (#3 dou-

bles) won 6-4, 6-4 for the Vikings.

The 2007 GHS fall tennis squad includes both boys and girls due to a season switch and a cut in one spring sport at Grayling High School. Boys tennis moved to the fall this year and girls tennis moved to spring due to a gender equity lawsuit court ruling against the Michigan High School Athletic Association. The Crawford

AuSable School Board opted to cut one of four spring sports for girls due to budget issues this year. Girls tennis was cut, leaving track, softball, and soccer. Girls golf moved from spring to fall this year. This fall, the GHS athletic department encouraged girls tennis players to play during the boys season, creating a coed team and keeping the opportunity open for both boys and girls to play tennis.



Katie Zill (left) and Mike Zill (right) play in a doubles match against Charlevoix.

LEGAL ACTION

Mortgage Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Angela C. Thompson and Christopher M. Thompson, husband and wife, to First National Bank of America, dated March 30, 2007 and recorded on April 3, 2007 in Liber 685 page 952, Crawford County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$15,280.41.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., at the front door of Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 13.94 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

Parcel F: Being a part of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, T25N, (Previously recorded as T27N) R3W, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, commencing at the NE corner of Section 4, T25N, R3W; thence S1° 24' 42" West along the East Section line 746.47 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing S1° 24' 42" West 415.47 feet North 89° 59' 06" West 1317.99 feet; thence N1° 22' 33" East along the East 1/8 line 410.36 feet; thence North 89° 47' 36" East 1318.38 feet to the point of beginning. Including a mobile home year, make and model unknown.

The redemption period will be one year from the date of sale; but if the property is abandoned, the redemption period will be one month from the date of sale.

Date: September 28, 2007

Joseph B. Backus, attorney for mortgage holder
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jessica M Finnegan a Single Woman, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated March 15, 2007, and recorded on March 19, 2007 in Liber 685 on Page 724, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Four And 97/100 Dollars (\$78,344.97), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 7, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 3, Block 10, Roffe's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 4, 2007

For more information, please call:
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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 7, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 3: That part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 18, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, more fully described as: Commencing to the East 1/4 corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 17 seconds East, along the East line of said Section 660.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 00 minutes 17 seconds East along said East line, 330.00 feet; thence North 87 degrees 55 minutes 56 seconds West parallel with the East-West 1/4 line of said Section,

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The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 4, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Tina Gilbee, a single woman, to First Franklin, a division of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated April 8, 2005 and recorded April 12, 2005 in Liber 674, Page 926, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for the MLMI Trust Series 2005-FH1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Five Hundred Eleven and 12/100 Dollars (\$61,511.12) including interest at 11.5% per annum.

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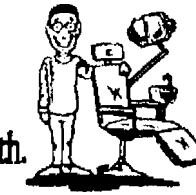


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sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on NOVEMBER 7, 2007.

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Commencing at a point which is 15 rods North of the Southwest corner of the North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, thence North 10 rods, thence East 32 rods, thence South 10 rods, thence West 32 rods to the place of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: October 4, 2007

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeanine K. Rossio, an unmarried woman, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 24, 2007 and recorded March 13, 2007 in Liber 685, Page 684, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety Thousand Two

Hundred Eleven and 66/100 Dollars (\$90,211.66) including interest at 5.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on NOVEMBER 7, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel Number 7: A parcel of land being apart of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 18, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the East one-quarter corner of said Section 18; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 17 seconds East, along the East line of said Section 18, 1,980.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 00 minutes 17 seconds East, along said East line 309.32 feet; thence North 89 degrees 21 minutes 10 seconds West, 1,562.33 feet to the Easterly right of way line of Interstate Highway 75; thence Southerly, along said right of way, 270.48 feet, along the arc of 5614.65 radius curve to the left, the long chord of which is South 03 degrees 21 minutes 36 seconds West 270.46 feet; thence South 87 degrees 55 minutes 56 seconds East, parallel with the East-West one-quarter line of said Section 18, 1,579.09 feet to the point of beginning.

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LEGAL ACTION

MORTGAGE SALE

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on October 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan and described as: LOTS 3 AND 4 OF BLOCK 3, OF BRINK'S PARK, TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 33, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 13, 2007
HOMECOMINGS FINANCIAL, LLC/Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075

-20-27-4-11

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Aaron S. Blaine and Joann D. Blaine, husband and wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2003 and recorded August 21, 2003 in Liber 648, Page 584, and An Affidavit of Scrivener's Error to correct legal was recorded 01/30/2007 in Liber 685, Page 79 in Crawford County, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wachovia Bank, N.A. as trustee for CHASE 2003-5 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand One Hundred Sixteen and 15/100 Dollars (\$85,116.15) including interest at 10.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the

front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on OCTOBER 24, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: West 200 feet of South one-half of South one-half of Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of, Section 23, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: September 20, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 209.4050
-20-27-4-11

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin G. Hunter, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to CitiFinancial Mortgage Company, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2004, and recorded on July 1, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 714, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six And 96/100 Dollars (\$80,466.96), including interest at 8.6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 17, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 22, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, more particularly described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 22; thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes 30 seconds West, along Section line, 823.62 feet, to the point of beginning; thence South 01 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds West, 661.09 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds West, 164.70 feet; thence North 01 degrees 01 minutes 20 seconds East, 661.01 feet; thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 50 seconds East, along Section line, 164.72 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 13, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC C 248.593.1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #160841F01
-13-20-27-4

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE (CRAWFORD COUNTY)

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED

WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Joellen Ventline, a single woman to Sterling Mortgage & Investment Co., Mortgagee, dated May 1, 2003 and recorded on May 12, 2003 in Liber 633 on Page 203, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Four and 73/100 Dollars (\$39,974.73).

And no suit or proceedings at law in or equity having been instituted to recover the debt

secured by said mortgage or any part thereof Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 31st day of October, 2007 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 14.50% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: Premises situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, and Michigan, and are described as follows:

The East one-half of the East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 3, Township 25 North, Range 4 West, as recorded in the Crawford County Records.

Tax ID: 051-003-003-035-00
C/K/A: 8300 West Beaver Road

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 17, 2007

Sterling Mortgage & Investment Co., Mortgagee

Law Offices of Eden J. Allvin, Attorney
31333 West Thirteen Mile Road, Suite 209
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334
(248) 855-2550
-27-4-11-18-25

MORTGAGE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Melissa Rothanburg and Shaun Rothanburg, wife and husband, to First National Bank of America, dated March 10, 2006 and recorded on March 14, 2006 in Liber 680 page 193, Crawford County

records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$34,538.00.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a public sale of the property on Wednesday, October 31, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., at the front door of Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 12.94 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is located in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and is described in the mortgage as:

Lot 6, Pine Grove Subdivision. Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 58, Crawford County Records. Including but not limited to an unknown year, make and model mobile home Serial Number unknown.

The redemption period will be six months from the date of sale; but if the property is abandoned, the redemption period will be one month from the date of the sale.

Date: September 20, 2007

Joseph B. Backus, attorney for mortgage holder
P.O. Box 794, East Lansing, MI 48826
517-337-1617
-27-4-11-18

NOTICE OF SALE

Default having been made in the condition of a certain mortgage made the November 4, 2005, by Richard L. Martin, a single man, to Northwestern Bank, and recorded on January 3, 2006 in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 679, Page 252, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice SIXTY SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEEN AND 50/100 DOLLARS (\$67,416.50) and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale in said mortgage contained having become operative by reason of such default.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 31, 2007, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon in the lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney fee of Seventy-Five (\$75.00) Dollars provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage, mentioned and described as follows, to wit:

Lots 11 and 12, Block 3, of ROF-FEE'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County.

The redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated: September 20, 2007

NORTHWESTERN BANK
Mortgagee

CALCUTT ROGERS & BOYNTON
by: Jack E. Boynton (P23137)
109 E. Front Street, Suite 300
Traverse City, MI 49684
-27-4-11-18

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steve N Dmytrusz, II and Susan M. Dmytrusz, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 13, 1999, and recorded on July 15, 1999 in Liber 486 on Page 82, and modified by Affidavit or Order executed on November 16, 2004 and recorded on November 22, 2004 in Liber 672 on Page 631, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Six Hundred Nine And 77/100 Dollars (\$175,609.77), including interest at 7.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 31, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Description No. 1: The East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 2 West

Description No. 2: The East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

Description No. 3: The West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The property is now known as: The East 3/4 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, containing 15 acres combined.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 27, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC X 248.593.1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #040906F04
-27-4-11-18

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS SEPTEMBER 24, 2007 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES UNAPPROVED

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance
Attending: Luck, Kozlowski, George and Musselman. Absent: Janisse
Public comment: None.

The record will reflect that a quorum was assembled for this meeting. No changes to the agenda are allowed.

Motion by Luck, seconded by Musselman, to support the recommendations and conditions from the Planning Commission, regarding approval of the Special Use Permit for SMR LLC, and to forward a letter to the Crawford County Planning Commission reflecting the Board's support of these recommendations/conditions. A copy of the memo from our attorney, Bryan Graham is to be included with our letter.

Roll call vote: George-Aye, Kozlowski - Aye, Luck-Aye, and Musselman-Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

No Public comment.
Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE SNOWPLOWING BIDS

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP will receive bids for the snowplowing of Lovells Township Hall, Fire Hall and Transfer Station sites #1 and #2 for the 2007-2008 season until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at the Township Hall offices.

Evidence of insurance must accompany all bids.

Snowplowing specifications can be obtained at the Township Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays. We can also be reached by calling 989 348-9215.

The township board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to award the bid to other than low bidders, and in general to make the award in any manner deemed by it, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of Lovells Township.

Cheryl Hopp
Lovells Township Clerk

Public Notice to Residents

Frederic Township residents be notified the Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing on October 15, 2007, at 7:00 pm in the Frederic Township Hall, located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following case and anything else that comes in front of the board:

2007 Z 002 Owner: Milton & Orthella Proctor, Petitioner
8584 W. Cameron Bridge Road
Frederic Township
Parcel # 20-031-027-005-045-00

The Petitioner is requesting to have up to 15 dogs on his property located on the above property. The property is located in a recreational-forest zoning district.

The planning commission will also hear any concerns that come in front of the board and also start working on revising the Frederic Township Master Plan.

Tentative text and maps can be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

Correspondence concerning this request should be directed to: Frederic Township Zoning Dept, P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733. Telephone: (989) 348-8778.

Douglas J. Pratt
Frederic Twp
Zoning Administrator

Grayling Township seeks committee applicants

Grayling Charter Township is seeking applicants interested in serving on the township Planning Commission or township Zoning Board of Appeals. Persons interested in sitting on either board should have an interest in community planning and be able to work with a detailed master plan and zoning ordinance.

For more detailed information contact the township zoning administrator at (989) 348-4361 during normal working hours.

Please send letters of interest to: Terry Wright, Supervisor, Grayling Township; PO Box 521; Grayling, MI 49738

2008 Grayling Township trash compactor permits are now available at the town hall during normal business hours and also sold Saturday, 10/20 at the compactor from 9 - 3 pm \$60

Good from date of purchase through 12/31/08

The fee subsidizes a small percentage of the total cost of refuse disposal and excludes recycling costs. All costs for recycling and the balance of refuse disposal cost are paid through the township general fund. Grayling Township receives 1 mill of your total tax dollars for operating costs, including all general fund expenses.

The new permits will be required after 12/31/07
Stop at the town hall and purchase your permit
or send your \$60 check to
Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738

Public Notice

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FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
October 4, 1984

Grayling High School students are inviting all 1984 GHS graduates and other alumni to the Homecoming football game Friday night and the Homecoming dance on Saturday. Barb Fitzgerald, a GHS senior, said they would like to see Homecoming more of a celebration for GHS alumni to come home and enjoy in addition to being a week of fun for the current high school students.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging has signed a lease agreement with the Grayling Housing Commission that will allow them to use four small offices, kitchen facilities and a large reception room at the Grayling Housing project at 308 Lawndale. The lease agreement signed last Thursday with HUD's approval, rents 2,550 square feet for \$8,999 for one year.

The long standing Grayling-Gaylord rivalry needs about as much extra build-up as a forest fire needs a match. But, Friday night, Gaylord comes to Grayling to play at the Vikings' Homecoming. In addition, Grayling took the "Pine Log" away from Gaylord last year and the Vikings say they want to keep it another year.

Kris Laudenslager, Erin Jones and Michelle Barber scored in double figures last Thursday as

Grayling downed Boyne City 63-40 and improved their record to 5-1. Laudenslager also set a GHS girls basketball record by pulling down 29 rebounds in one game.

Fuel Recovery Company, of St. Paul, Minn., began on the final phase of clean up on an estimated 7,200 gallon diesel fuel leak near the Mobilization and Training Equipment Site (MATES). The Minnesota company won a bid for \$70,000 for 12 months of recovery work. The Department of Military Affairs is paying for the clean-up.

46 Years Ago
October 5, 1961

Liz's Beauty Shop will be closed Oct. 8-15, and will re-open on Oct. 17. Mrs. Florence will attend an International Beauty Show in Brussels, Belgium, and visit Paris, France.

Used cars were never better at McEvers Motor Sales, a '57 Chevrolet Bel Air, 4-dr. Sedan is \$975 and Jerry's Pick of the Week is a '58 Chevrolet 6-cyl. Yeoman station wagon, with overdrive, radio and heater for \$1,035.

Prizes won at the new car showing by Jim Brown Chevrolet at the Legion a week ago were a set of steak knives each to Mrs. Raymond Slusser and Mrs. Robert Winslow, and watches to Basil Hubbell and Harold Golnick.

The Frederic High Eagles will

travel to Bellaire this Friday for a Northern Michigan Six Man football game. The Eagles dropped their second game of the season, last Friday at Indian River, losing to Inland Lakes 43-26.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, the yearbook and newspaper staff of Grayling High School, with Mrs. Evelyn Klein, attended the 9th annual Michigan Interscholastic Press Association of the Regional Press Conference at Houghton Lake High School. Among the yearbook staff who attended were: Karen Gothro, Donna Fenton, Jean Portwood, Pauline Millikin, Janet Wyman, Mary Pelton, Jack Welch, Matt Fallon, Vicki McEvers, Judy Day, Patsy McEvers and Carolyn Klein. Those students from the newspaper staff were: Pauline Millikin, Lynn Kneff, Glenda Schofield, Sue Stephan, Jill Jones, Gwen Davis and Marilyn Stampfly. Mrs. Roger Kneff, Mrs. Elmer Fenton and Mr. Joseph Stripe supplied the transportation. There were 123 students and 11 adults that attended the meeting.

Ralph E. King, District Forester, announces the opening of two new state forest campgrounds in Crawford County. One campground is on the north side of M-72, just west of the Manistee River bridge. Twelve individual campsites, with tables, grills and garbage barrels have been developed, water pump and toilets installed, as well as walk-down steps to the river at convenient locations to avoid stream-bank erosion. The other camp-

ground is at the former Public Fishing Site at Shupac Lake, north of Lovells.

69 Years Ago
October 6, 1938

The old Horton farm in Frederic has changed hands. The new owner is Oscar Kimbler, a Maple Forest farmer, who will move to the new place in the spring. The 40 acre tract has been in the Horton family, according to reports, for half a century. The place is about three or four miles west of Frederic and is a very fertile and attractive farm. It lies midway between the AuSable and big Manistee Rivers.

Quite a number are absent this week from the Frederic school, helping to dig potatoes or help at other harvesting jobs at home. Many are waiting to start potato digging until Thursday when school will be closed due to the Teachers Institute in Traverse City.

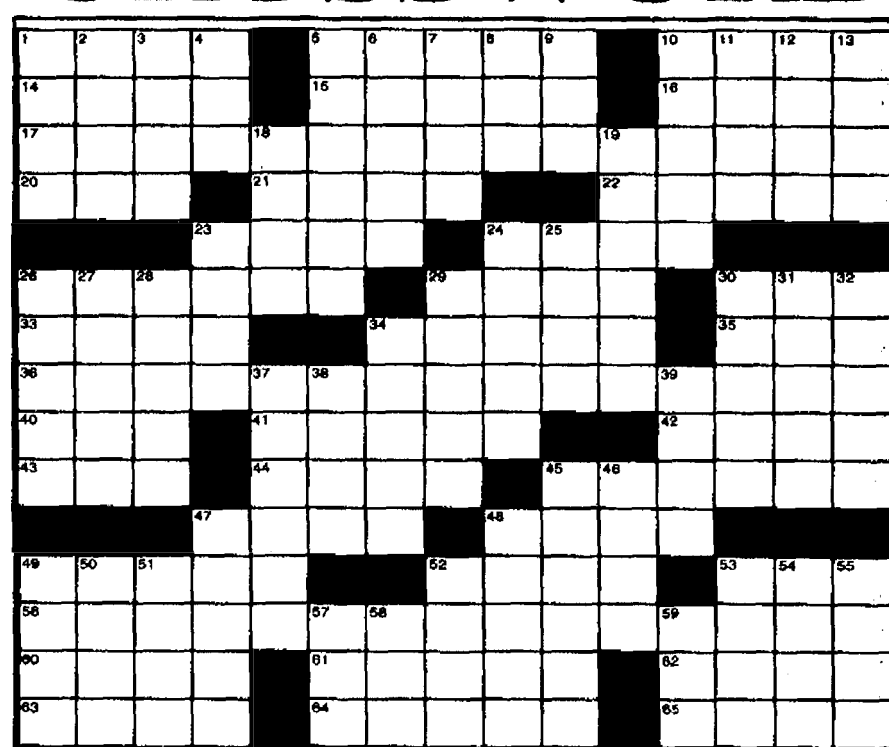
92 Years Ago
October 7, 1915

Dr. Love of Manistee, arrived in Grayling Friday and has opened a dental office over the Central Drug Store.

George Burke, agent for Ford, has opened his new salesroom here and is ready for business.

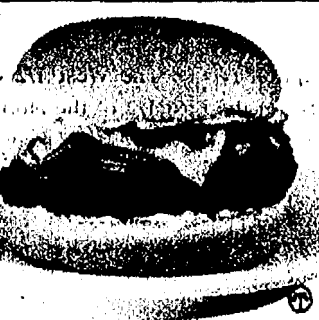
Hemming Peterson has purchased the Herbert Knibbs farm in Maple Forest from Dr. Leighton and is moving there this week.

CROSSWORD



- Across
- Throng of people.
 - Rob. Guinness world record holder for ascending the highest summits of all 47 European countries in the shortest time.
 - Japanese form of wrestling.
 - Longest division of geological time.
 - Mottled white and rose American art glass.
 - Malleable silvery-white magnetic or metallic element.
 - Shine a bright light through an organ to detect disease.
 - British unit of weight equivalent to 2,240 pounds.
 - Leeward side.
 - Nine daughters of Zeus.
 - Maggie.
 - Drinks by taking in small amounts at a time.
 - As follows.
 - City in Ancient India at the time of Gautama Buddha.
 - Father.
 - Name of the only Australopithecus bahrelghazali specimen ever discovered.
 - Pertaining to the calf of the leg.
 - Acronym for Home Meal Replacement.
 - Needing no explanation.
 - General name for beer made with a top fermenting yeast.
 - Hard return hitting the tennis ball above the head.
 - Old German name meaning "all."
 - American Abstract Expressionist painter. Krasner.
 - Anxious feeling.
 - Long monotonous harangue.
 - Brownings of the skin resulting from exposure to the sun's rays.
 - Foot covering.
 - Way something is organized.
 - Person who makes deceitful pretenses.
 - Thick mixture of fruit and sugar.
 - Give a professional character to.
 - Contraction of "is not."
 - Treated with oil.
 - Eighth son of Joktan.
 - River in England.
 - Lacking imagination.
 - Direct one's course.
- Down
- The Simpsons creator. Groening.
 - Acronym for European Environmental Research Organization.
 - Anything lent, at interest.
 - Blues singer. Rabson.
 - Old. Central Criminal Court in England.
 - Plastic sheath over a shoelace end.
 - Misfortune.
 - Acronym for Engineering Test Unit.
 - Undergo destruction on impact.
 - Abnormal passage leading from a suppurating cavity to the body surface.
 - Sumerian mythology goddess of the earth.
 - Speck.
 - New York City dance music group known for the single "Flawless."
 - Act of traveling by water.
 - High-jumping, lightly built South African antelope.
 - Money.
 - Esquimo Joe song from, Black Fingernails, Red Wine.
 - 1904 Nobel Prize winner. Pavlov.
 - Elongated rectangular bone forming the bride of the nose.
 - White poplar tree.
 - Noisy riotous fight.
 - Edible seeds of various pod-bearing plants.
 - Fierce wild dog of the forests of central and southeast Asia.
 - Acronym for Alliance of Maritime Regional Interests in Europe.
 - Wood nymph.
 - U. S. Coast Guard Women's Reserve created by FDR.
 - Second album by hip hop group Whodini.
 - Marvel Comics superhero Nate Gray AKA.
 - Counterweight consisting of an empty container used as a counterbalance to obtain net weight.
 - Drink made of beer and lemonade.
 - Dust and gas surrounding an active comet's nucleus.
 - Cut loops of a carpet pile fabric.
 - American power pop band formed in Zion, IL in 1974.
 - Skewer for holding meat over a fire.
 - Synonym for Irish and sometimes for Scottish Gaelic.
 - Quality of a person's voice.
 - Tall, cylindrical tower in which bulk material is stored.
 - Agree with something else.
 - Muslim summons to prayer called by the muezzin from a minaret of a mosque five times a day.
 - Announce for a score of cards in a card game.
 - Drench.
 - Title of respect for notable person in ancient times.
 - Not far above the horizon.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



THE ROUTE 66 HAMBURGER

1/3 pound fresh ground beef
1 hamburger bun
2 teaspoons mayonnaise
1 tablespoon oil or butter

2 slices onion, cut into quarters
1 slice Swiss cheese
1/2 cup small mushrooms, sliced
Salt and pepper to taste

Preheat grill, barbecue or broiler. Season ground beef with salt and pepper, form into a patty and cook according to preference so that internal temperature reaches at least 160 F. Heat oil or butter over medium-high heat in a small saucepan. Add onions and mushrooms and season to taste with salt and pepper. Sauté onions until they are soft and mushrooms until they release their juices.

Meanwhile, toast the hamburger bun and spread mayonnaise evenly across the top and bottom. Place cooked hamburger patty on bun and top with grilled mushrooms, grilled onions and Swiss cheese. Serve with your favorite soda pop and American fries.

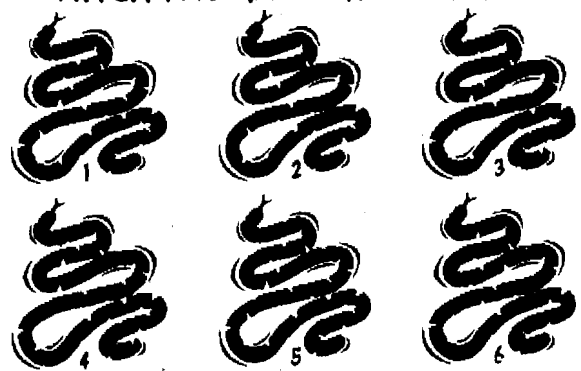
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ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



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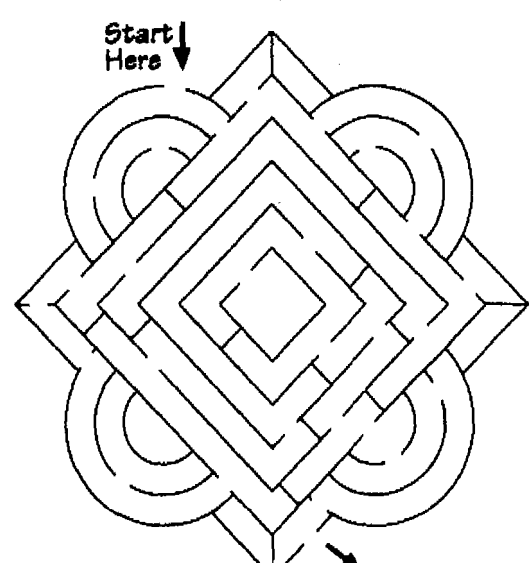
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ASTEROID BLACK HOLE COMET GALAXY METEOR MOON ORBIT PLANET PULSAR QUASAR SATELLITE STAR

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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MAZE



ADOPT A PET



Sunny D
Sunny D is a beautiful young girl. She is about 9 months old, spayed, Leukemia tested negative and vaccinated. Sunny is very friendly and good with other cats.

Wendy
Sweet and spunky, Wendy is a 7 month old Torbie kitten who gets along with other cats and loves to cuddle. She is spayed, Leukemia tested and vaccinated. Adoption fee: \$75



The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is located at:

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds

Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday thru Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on

Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ascc.petfinder.com

HOROSCOPES

For the week of October 4, 2007



What a week, Capricorn. Passion burns bright, travel is on the agenda and a painstaking project finally comes to an end, for which you receive many rewards.



Listen up, Aries. Fighting words are laid in front of you, but you must dodge them at all costs. Now is not the time for a heated confrontation.



Uh-uh, Cancer. You cannot keep your feelings in check any longer. Tell that special someone exactly how you feel and prepare for sparks to fly.



How odd, Libra. You can't make tails or heads of a friend's behavior, and perhaps that is for the best. They may not want to confide in you. Leave well enough alone.



Reason is not your friend this week, Aquarius. and apologies may be in order if you cannot control your temper. A note turns out to be very helpful.



Financial matters improve, Taurus, and you stay within your budget. Keep on track, and you may reach that goal you've been seeking.



Family life takes precedence above all else, Leo, and you must put work and other projects on the back burner. There is too much at stake not to.



Nothing gets by you this week, Scorpio. You have eyes in the back of your head and know all. An alluring friend needs a pick-me-up. Flowers should do the trick.



Who knew, Pisces. You are asked to move out of your element at work, and you enjoy it. The change provides an impetus for you to expand your skill set.



Woohoo, Gemini! You manage to keep a social engagement, and it turns out much better than you imagined. Remember that as another invitation is presented.



Save the scolding, Virgo. Comforting words mean everything to a friend. Be there for them. They have learned their lesson and just need a shoulder to cry on.



What a sight to behold, Sagittarius. Inkling comes to light, and you must act fast to put out a fire. A sporting event puts you in a celebratory frame of mind.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
Date	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
9/26	62	43	0						
9/27	65	49	0	High 75	High 78	High 75	High 70	High 53	High 57
9/28	64	31	0	Low 52	Low 60	Low 54	Low 39	Low 38	Low 37
9/29	67	31	0						
9/30	74	58	0						
10/1	64	56	0.08	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Isolated T-Storms	T-Showers	Few Showers	Showers

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Crawford County Avalanche

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year-round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

1. Real Estate

RIVERFRONT RANCH w/ 3 BR, 2 bath main floor. Walkout basement has family room, two finished rooms as bedrooms/office/den, 2-car garage, large pole bldg., \$265,000. 989-348-8524. (-30-6-13-20-27-4/1)

1. Real Estate

HOME FOR SALE 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat or large family home with outbuildings in Lovells. Bank appraised at \$255,000, now available for \$179,000. Call 989-732-2600. (7/26/07tf/1)

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE BY OWNER 2.65 acres, wooded land w/ electric and well. Many large red pines. Adjoining state land at end of private road. Very secluded, close to proposed theme park near Grayling. Excellent hunting camp location or building site. \$24,900. 989-329-3249. (-20-27-4-11/1)0

2. For Rent

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

OFFICE SPACE in Roscommon, great location. \$550 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (5/3/07tf/2)

TWO BEDROOM apartment with garage, air conditioning, heat stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer & dryer. 989-348-8471. (10/4/07tf/2)

CLEAN 2 BR HOUSE in St. Helen. Natural gas, large yard, no pets. \$450 security deposit \$450 a month rent. 989-275-8499, 989-915-2002. (-31/2)

2. For Rent

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ONE BEDROOM HOUSE with garage. No pets, no smoking. Utilities not furnished. \$450 per month, \$450 security deposit. Has stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer. Call 989-348-5524. (-4/2)



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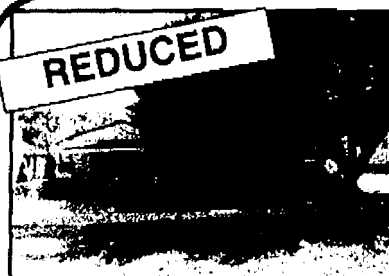


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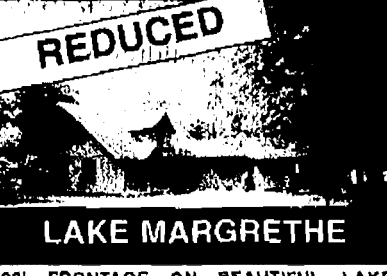
BEAUTIFUL CEDAR SIDED HOME 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with knotty pine tongue and groove and drywall interior. Living room offers 17' cathedral ceiling. Family room offers wood stove with cultured stone surround and 9' ceilings. Ceramic tile floors in kitchen, dining, foyer and bath. Kitchen offers hickory cabinets, Viking cook top, Central air, 24x40 pole barn. Large deck. Walking distance to Manistee River. CS-2848 \$167,500



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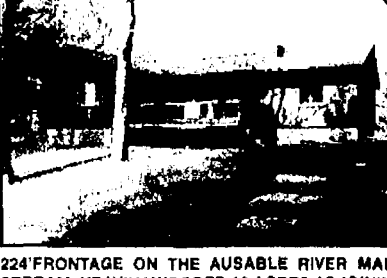
100' FRONTAGE ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE MARGRETHE Open floor plan with cathedral ceiling and beautiful brick fireplace for those cozy evenings. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths offers 2,063 sq. ft. Wet bar, snack bar, master suite offers large walk-in closet and sunken tub with separate shower. Interior offers cedar and drywall. New roof on house and garage. Walk-out patio doors onto large deck. Paver sidewalk. Sprinkler system. 2 car detached garage. Black top driveway. Beautifully landscaped. CS-2551 \$549,000



IF YOU DESIRE... GRACEFUL LIVING among beautiful surroundings, you must see this Quality built home. Offers 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths with full finished walkout basement. Kitchen highlights a combination of stone, built in microwave and refrigerator with solid counters, oak cabinets and beautiful hardwood floors. Master bedroom offers a full bath with jet tub, skylight and separate shower with ceramic tile. Anderson windows, tack lighting, large deck patio for entertaining. Spacious family room in basement with full bath. CS-2437 \$162,000



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224' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER MAIN-STREAM, HEAVILY WOODED 10 ACRES ADJOINING STATE LAND. Ideal four-season recreation area. State land across river. Enjoy the view on the riverside deck overlooking river. Enjoy the view on the riverside deck overlooking river. Enjoy the view on the riverside deck overlooking river. 50 waters edge. Mature red and white pines and cedar trees lining the bank of the river. Small pond in back yard. 23x24 great room. Neat and clean remodeled interior. Drywall interior, extensive oak cabinetry, large center island bar with track lighting, custom built dining room. Secluded setting yet easily accessible. CH-2560 \$224,900



ENCHANTING LOG COTTAGE 3 bedrooms, 2 baths offering 2,075 square feet with Great room and dining room each has impressive stone fireplace from floor to ceiling. Cathedral ceilings. Unique log staircase to loft. Kohler plumbing fixtures. Central air, stereo surround system and underground sprinkling system. New roof, doors and windows. Very tastefully decorated and ready to move into. Beautifully landscaped with pavers on sidewalk. Breath taking views of Lake Margrethe. CS-2475 \$399,000

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REDUCED
Exceptional in every respect. with 3,660 sq. ft., 4 bedrooms, 2 and 1/2 baths, 2 garages and a beautiful setting on the AuSable River bank. \$365,000 #5800

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Immaculate, quality constructed, 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath chalet situated on 10 secluded acres abutting State Land on two sides. Features include a 28 x 40, heated, insulated and finished garage, spacious front deck, a 2nd 12 x 42 garage, plus much more. \$249,000 #5877

REDUCED
Meticulously kept home close to both Roscommon & Higgins Lake. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath. New central air and forced air heat. Attached finished heated garage with loft. Extra detached garage/workshop. Nice big yard. Electric fireplace. Your perfect home away from home. \$89,000 #5848

REDUCED
Cozy, charming completely furnished cottage with tons of privacy backing 1,000's of acres of state land. Bath renovated 2 years ago, new windows in the bedrooms & features its own rifle range. \$64,500 #5849

REDUCED
40 acres of awesome property! State Land on all 4 sides with ALL YEAR round heat, outside hand pump and a path to the bath. Owners portion of royalties to oil well are not included in sale. \$120,000 #5418

REDUCED
Secluded but easy access, beautiful 10 square acres of property, plus beautiful home with 3 bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths with over 2,000 s.f. of living space, enclosed large porch, attached garage. Must See! \$198,900 #5711

REDUCED
Lake Margrethe shared beach, parks, assigned boat slip, quiet natural setting plus a 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home on 1/2 acre. Tons of storage, grand foyer and 2 story living room. \$269,900 #5884

REDUCED
Fantastic commercial building! Remodeled in 2005 to accommodate pizza parlor; everything is sparkling! 1560 SF with seats and tables, walk-in cooler, two built in counters, 2 bathrooms and a 12-ton A/C. \$150,000 #5896

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Reduced

Very nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, log home w/walkout basement. Located on 16.86 acres w/beautiful hardwoods. Located on a county maintained rd. w/state land across the road. 26 X 36 garage w/workshop. NOTE: Wood cookstove not included (family heirloom) 1 Year Home Warranty Included. # 24840 \$189,900

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Great location and within walking distance of Lake Margrethe. Ceiling Fan; Dishwasher; Dryer; Garage Door Opener; Range/Oven; Washer #253296 \$79,900

New Listing

Characteristics in this home include custom cabinets, hickory hardwood floors, Anderson windows, large master suite with walk-in closet, insulated and heated garage, forced yard, patio, covered front porch and amenities of AuSable Woods Property Association. Seller is a license Realtor in State of Michigan. #253277 \$146,900

Reduced

If you want a completely remodeled home for a very decent price, you must see this. Perfect starter, fenced back yard, new kitchen with hardwood floor, new bathroom, new carpet in living room. Within walking distance to everything. Just reduced by \$10,000! #248086 \$59,900

Reduced

Comfortable home offers 3 bedrooms 2 full baths, newer carpeting, hardwood floors, anderson windows, new roof, full basement, enclosed patio, deck, plenty of closet space, and 2 car garage w/wood stove. This home has been well cared for and it shows! #251831 \$149,900

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VACANT

Beautiful building site for the up north get-away. State land 1/2 mile away and good hunting. All this just 2.5 miles north of Frederic. Seller is licensed realtor. seller is licensed real estate agent. #11738 \$4,500

Perfect lot for that cabin or first home. Quiet area, great woods and state land 1/2 mile away. Seller is a licensed real estate agent. #11739 \$5,500

Building site in wooded area. Rolling hills and wonderful view. #14887 \$120,000

A great parcel adjoining Federal land to the north. Great site for your home or hunting lodge. #14888 \$130,000

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2. For Rent

HOME FOR RENT 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat or large family home with outbuildings in Lovells. \$1,200 per month plus utilities. Call 989-732-2600. (7/26/07/tf/2)

NICE, CLEAN 3 BEDROOM newer ranch home. Major remodeling in progress. Natural gas, nice neighborhood, 1 1/2 bath, garage, nonsmoking. \$710, references. 1056 Little John Ave. 989-348-2178. (9/20/07/tf/2)

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2 BEDROOMS updated kitchen, 2 enclosed porches, garden plot, heat and water included, \$600. One month deposit. 989-348-8793 or 760-567-5536. (-27-4/2)

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2 BEDROOM, ONE BATH house. Clean & cozy, nonsmoking, no pets, washer & dryer hookup. 2894 Margrethe Blvd. \$450 per month. 941-650-7946 or 989-348-4405. (9/27/2007/tf/2)

LARGE 1 BEDROOM APARTMENT located in downtown Grayling. \$425 per month plus utilities and security deposit. No pets permitted and references are required. 989-619-9689. (-27-4/2)

UPPER DUPLEX, 3 BEDROOMS \$500 per month plus security deposit. 989-348-2466. (9/20/07/tf/2)

ONE BEDROOM DUPLEX furnished or unfurnished. All utilities paid. \$500 plus \$500 security deposit. 989-348-2466. (9/20/07/tf/2)

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OFFICE SPACE 570 sq. ft. for lease in the Industrial Park. 989-348-6460. (9/27/07/tf/2)

WAREHOUSE SPACE 1,200 sq. ft. for lease in the Industrial Park. 989-348-6460. (9/27/07/tf/2)

FOR RENT 2 bedroom home on 5 acres. \$550 per month plus utilities, \$400 security deposit. 989-821-6297, afternoon. (-27-4/2)

Office Suite 1200 Sq.ft. Office/retail up to 5,000 sq. ft. M-55 at M-18 Houghton Lake. Call Don at 989-302-1029

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**2. For Rent**

FOR RENT/GRAYLING Very nice 3 bedroom home. Full basement, fenced yard for pet, located in town. Nice neighborhood. \$750/month. Call 989-348-2383. (-27-4/2)

ROOM TO RENT with household privileges. Separate bathrooms. M-72 area, east of Grayling. No indoor smoking. \$250 per month, includes utilities. Phone Renee at 989-348-5040 or Paul at 906-293-8724. (-27-4/2)

NICE, CLEAN TWO BEDROOM mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450 plus deposit. No pets. 989-348-2418. (-27-4/2)

FOR RENT 2 bedroom apt. located in town. \$650 per month, utilities included. References and credit check required. Call 989-370-2745 or 989-710-1194. (-27-4/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT Cozy 2 bedroom, updated cabin just off Higgins Lake west shore. Month to month rental, includes cable. \$400 monthly, \$400 security. 586-907-0739. (-27-4/2)

ONE BEDROOM DUPLEX Includes lawn care, trash pick up & snowplowing. No smoking. \$395. 808 A Park Street. 989-348-2178. (9/27/07/tf/2)

FOR RENT 1,400 sq. ft., 3 BR, 2 bath with 150' frontage on the Manistee River. Includes 2 car garage, gas fireplace and is adjacent to state land. \$650 per month + security + utilities. Available mid October. Please call Craig Hinkle for application at 989-348-7440. (-4-11-18-25/2)

FOR RENT 1400 sq. ft. 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath, garage, office, Michigan room, large laundry room. Located outside of Frederic in the woods, secluded and quiet, some pets OK, \$550 month, \$300 security deposit. 989-348-2088. (-4/2)

LARGE 2 BEDROOM 2 bath home on 7 acres close to town on Ausable Trail. Garage, large yard with lots of privacy, new carpet, partially furnished. No pets. Credit check or references. \$525 plus security. 989-370-0968. (-4/2)

TWO BEDROOM HOUSE freshly painted, new carpet in living room, \$490 a month plus utilities. No pets. 231-275-6887. (-4/2)

HOME FOR RENT 3 bedrooms, 2 bath on ten acres. No pets, security deposit and utilities. We do snow plowing. 989-348-8621. (-4-11/2)

ROOM FOR RENT \$300 monthly includes room, electric, heat and internet service. Also includes washer/dryer, dishwasher and use of kitchen and shared bathroom. I have lived in Grayling for over twelve years. Call my cell phone at 517-375-2378. (-4/2)

CLEAN 2 BEDROOM with shed, references and security deposit required. \$400 a month, no pets, 989-348-8386. (-4-11-18-25/2)

2. For Rent**2. For Rent**

CLEAN 2 BEDROOM with garage, 5 miles east of Grayling. Security deposit, references required, no pets, \$450 a month 989-348-8386. (-4-11-18-25/2)

3. Employment

ATTENTION DRIVERS no experience necessary. TMC Transportation needs drivers. \$650 per week guaranteed. Off weekends. Local CDL training. 800-882-7364. (-27-4-11-18-25-1/3)

SALES POSITION AVAILABLE for replacement windows and vinyl siding. Base pay plus commission. Please fax resume to: Anderson Installation Services at 231-946-3137 or call 231-946-2206. (-4/3)

ORGANIST AND/OR PIANIST needed for Sunday church services & occasional special services. No prior church experience necessary. Please send letter of interest to Sandy Altman, c/o St. John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce Street, Grayling, MI 49738. (-27-4-11/3)

\$2,500 - \$5,000 in 30 days. Stuff and mail envelopes for our company. \$5 each. For more information, send a large, self addressed, stamped envelope to: Global Research, P.O. Box 887, Flint, MI 48501. (-27-4/3)

MECHANIC Recreational business in Grayling, MI is seeking a mechanic for the service and repair of boats, I/O's, outboards, motorcycles, ATV's, and snowmobiles. Position requires 3 years relevant experience and/or completion of technical training, excellent diagnostic skills, own tools, and a valid driver's license. Fax resume to 989-348-8367 or e-mail to mavrick_67us@yahoo.com (-4-11-18-25/3)

OFFICE MANAGER Recreational business in Grayling, MI is seeking an Office Manager with 3-5 years experience. Responsible for day-to-day functions including: accounts receivable, accounts payable, bank reconciliation, quotes, correspondence, and spreadsheets. Must be proficient with QuickBooks Pro, Microsoft Word and Excel. Strong customer service skills required. Must have valid driver's license. Part-time 20-30 hrs per week, with some Saturday work. Potential to become full-time. Fax resume to 989-348-8367 or e-mail to mavrick_67us@yahoo.com. (-4-11-18-25/3)

3. Employment

MARINE SALES Become part of a growing franchise-recreational business in Grayling, MI. Sell new and used marine and power sports. Responsibilities include sales and marketing. Position requires 3-5 years of proven sales experience, industry specific preferred, along with outstanding people skills. Must have valid driver's license. Fax resume to 989-348-8367 or e-mail to mavrick_67us@yahoo.com. (-4-11-18-25/3)

CUSTODIAL GENERAL CLEANERS NEEDED Grayling and Gaylord area. Part time hours available about 15 hrs./wk. Evening hours, three days a week. Tues., Thurs., Sat., starting time 6 p.m. Pay up to \$8/hr. Phone interviews will be held on Fri., 10/5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reliable transportation and clean record required. Call 1-800-490-5754. (-4/3)

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SNOW PLOWING Grayling, Higgins Lake area. Residential, commercial, reliable, dependable, insured. 989-348-9233. (9/6/07/tf/4)

NEED DAYCARE? Offering loving care for your child in my home. 20+ years experience. Call Lisa, 989-390-5783. (-27-4/4)

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SAMANTHA'S DAYCARE now has openings for all ages. State licensed, meals provided, open from 6 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday-Friday. 989-348-8108 (-4-11/4)

ORIENTATION MEETING for parents and children interested in classes at Krystal Star Center of baton twirling, dance, gymnastic, cheer and pom Monday October 8, 6 p.m. Call 989-348-6542. (-4/4)

5. For Sale

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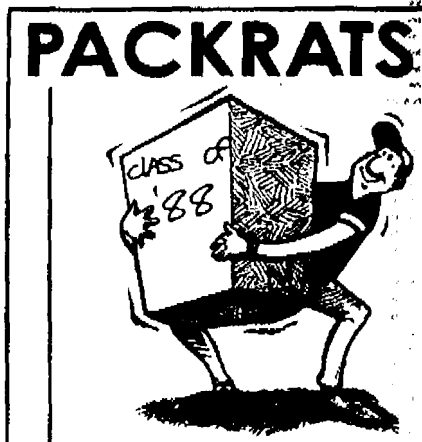
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BUMPER CROP of squash and pumpkins at Wellington Farm. Squash only .29 cents a pound, 12 varieties to choose from. Pumpkins. 20 cents a pound, also gourds and corn stalks. Open daily 10-5. (-4-11/5)

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SNOW PLOWING BIDS for Mt. Hope Lutheran Church are now being taken. Pick up plowing guidelines at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church between 8 and 12. 905 N. 1-75 Bus. Loop, Grayling, MI 49738. Ph. 348-5921. (-4-11-18/6)

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WANTED MALE ROOM-MATE Nonsmoker. References required. 563-528-0838. (-4-11-18-25/6)

7. Miscellaneous

FREE MILES Receive 15 miles free on all local Penske truck rentals at Reasonable Rental in Roscommon. Just mention this ad. 989-275-5972. (LR10/4/2007/7)

8. Announcements

FAMILY GRIEF or general counseling. GRACE Center. Grayling. 989-348-2544. (7/13/06t/8)

MOVING AUCTION Oct. 6, 10 a.m. Perry Creek & M-33, Mio. Furniture, households, tools, garage/outside, tiller, snow blowers, canoe, coins & more. View on-line or call. Lets Talk Auction Company 989-848-5158. www.LetsTalkAuction.com (-4/8)

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CONSIGN IN GRAYLING Resale shop will be offering appraisals by a certified appraiser on Oct. 13, Nov. 3 & Dec. 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., a two item limit @ \$5 each. Any questions please call 989-390-4920. See you then. (4-11/8)

NOW IN GRAYLING the Krystal Star Center of baton twirling, dance, gymnastics, cheers & poms. New classes now forming. Call 989-348-6542. (-20-27-4/8)

BIDS FOR WINTER snowplowing. Submit by Oct. 30th to Kalkaska Eagles 348-4496. 15854 M-72 SW, PO Box 1338, Kalkaska, MI 49646 Attn. Trustees. (-4/8)

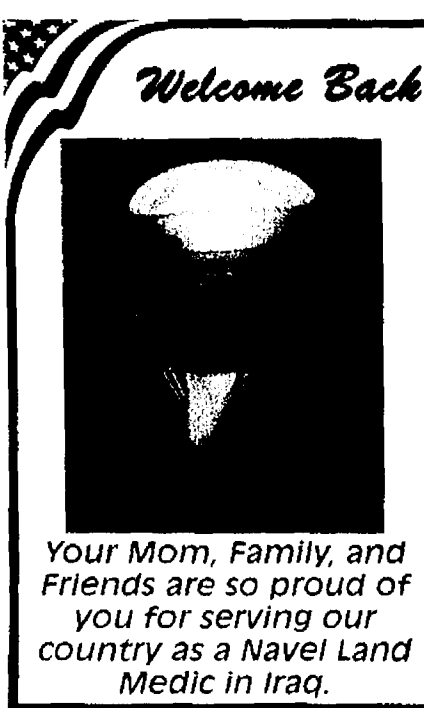
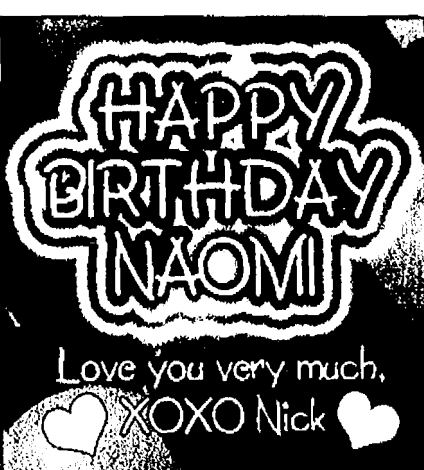
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FALL SPECIALS \$10 off any color or perm and \$2 off haircuts. Call Chelsea or Michelle at Heads Up North. 989-348-7890. (-4-11-18/8)

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10. Garage Sale

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE Fri. & Sat, 10 -? Gas stove, giant vintage tin Budweiser sign, new Swivel Straight Christmas tree stands, microwave oven, misc. household items. 1988 Jeep Cherokee 4X4. 1006 Ogemaw St. (-4/10)

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MOVING OUT OF STATE sale. Reasonable offers appreciated. Sat., Oct. 6, 9-5; Sun, Oct. 7, 12-5. M72E 3452 Chase Bridge Rd. right, 3rd house on right. (-4/10)

GARAGE SALE 707 Robinhood, October 5-6, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Twin comforter set, youth bed, furniture, lamps, girls clothes, antiques, fishing gear, duck and goose decoys, Christmas decor. (-4/10)

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